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Here are other great ways to help grow YOUR reader: “Colors”

**Baby (0-12 months):** When you hand your baby a toy, say its color to them. Talk about colors during meal time: red apples, green beans, and orange carrots.

**Toddler (1-3 years):** Collect items around your house and sort them by color. Describe objects that you see by their color. Sing a song that has color(s) in it.

*bba, baa, Black Sheep*
bba, baa, black sheep,
have you any wool?  
Yes sir, yes sir,  
three bags full  
one for my master,  
one for my dame,  
and one for the little boy  
who lives down the lane.  
(Repeat first verse)

**Preschooler (3-5 years):** Play the game Candy Land and talk about the colors as you move your players. Describe the shades of colors you see: light green or dark blue.

**Books about Colors**

**Baby:**  
*Freight Train* by Donald Crews

**Toddler:**  
*Mouse Paint* by Ellen Stoll Walsh

**Preschooler:**  
*A Color of His Own* by Leo Lionni

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