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Book Tip Sheet

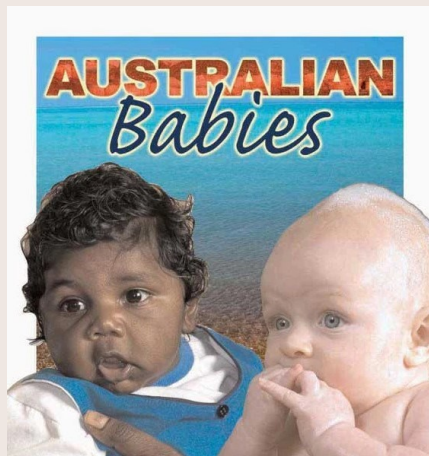
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Australian Babies

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Smiling faces of babies will make your baby smile too. These babies are doing the things that babies do everyday so it is easy to make up your own story about what they are doing.



BEFORE READING...



- ▶ Talk about what you can see on the cover. Babies!
- ▶ Make sure your baby can see the book. Hold it around 30cm in front of their face and don't rush to turn the pages. Let them see how you hold the book and turn the pages.
- ▶ Let your baby feel the book or try holding it.

WHILE READING...



- ▶ There are no words in this book. You can tell the story in your own words.
- ▶ This means you can make up phrases and sentences to match your child's language level. If your child is only just starting to talk, then use single words and 2 word phrases (such as "Baby. Mummy reading.") If your child is using 2 word phrases you can use 2-3 word sentences for each page.

AFTER READING...



- ▶ Look at each baby in the book and talk about what they are doing and wearing.
- ▶ Talk about any babies you know and what things they do.
- ▶ Do you have baby pictures of your child? Have a look at what the babies were doing in these pictures.

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