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Book Tip Sheet

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Today's Sun

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Black and white high-contrast books are easy for babies to focus on. They are also great for children if they are having difficulty with their vision. These illustrations can be enjoyed by children of any age.



BEFORE READING...



- ▶ Look at the cover together. Make sure to hold the book where your baby can see it—around 30cm away is a good distance for them to focus on the illustrations.
- ▶ While they look at the cover, read the title and talk to them. You could say things like "look at the sun" or "there's a kangaroo".

WHILE READING...



- ▶ Point to the illustrations as you read e.g., point to the sun as you read "sun" and point to each animal as you read its name.
- ▶ Don't rush through the pages—try to give your baby time to look at each page and talk to them even though they can't answer yet. "Do you like that page?", "look at the sleepy wombats", "can you see the big sun?"

AFTER READING...



- ▶ As you go about your day, talk to your baby about what they do at different times like the animals. For example, "the sun is up, time to get out of bed", "it's bright and sunny, let's go for a walk", "the sun is going down, bath time".
- ▶ Play a game of acting out what the animals do in the book: playing hide and seek, laughing, and snuggling.

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