Early Reading and Writing Activity Ideas

Focus on your child's name (especially for infants and toddlers)

Letters and sounds of the alphabet

Clapping words to hear syllables

Counting letters in words, and words in sentences from a book

Read predictable books ("Brown Bear, Brown Bear" and "The

Very Hungry Caterpillar")

Read picture books (Author Eric Carle's books are great)

Read rhyming books (Dr. Seuss books)

Pop-up books (great for interactive reading)

Have child read environment print and street signs often

Teach concepts of print (parts of the book/author/illustrator)

Use a yellow highlighter for your child to trace letters & words