For Younger Babies

All About Baby by Stephen Shott
See all kinds of photos of babies and their busy days. Covent Garden

Baby Animals (Flip-A-Face) by Harriet Ziefert
Illustrated by Sami
Turn a dog into a cat, a panda into a pig, just by flipping the pages. Chronicle Books

Baby Faces by Margaret Miller
Sweet baby faces show all sorts of expressions in large photos. Little Simon

Baby Signs for Bedtime by Linda Acredolo
Photos by Penny Gentieu
Help babies learn how to tell you what they want with baby sign language. HarperFestival

Baby Talk (Flip-A-Face) by Harriet Ziefert
Illustrated by Sami
Flip the pages and make a sad baby happy, or a cranky baby silly. Chronicle Books

Big Book of Beautiful Babies Board Book by David Ellwand
This black-and-white board book has a special child-safe mirror to see your favorite baby. Dutton Children’s Books

Black on White by Tana Hoban
Simple images make for a sweet game of “guess what?” with baby. Greenwillow Books

Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See? by Bill Martin, Jr., Illustrated by Eric Carle
Brown Bear, Yellow Duck, Purple Cat find their way through this book of animals and colors. Henry Holt

Busy Monkeys by John Schindel
Photos by Luiz Claudio Marigo
What are those beautiful, cuddly, funny looking monkeys doing to keep busy? Ten Speed Press

Cookie See, Cookie Do by Anna Jane Hays
Illustrated by Barry Goldberg
Try different motions, including jumping, reaching, and bending with Elmo and his sneaky friends. Random House

Dear Zoo by Rod Campbell
Babies love to guess and make animal sounds for this lift-the-flap board book. Four Winds Press

Fuzzy Fuzzy Fuzzy: A Touch, Skritch & Tickle Book by Sandra Boynton
Introduces different textures, including a cow’s fuzzy nose, a puppy’s rough paws, and a duck’s soft tummy. Little Simon

Good Night, Spot by Eric Hill
Spot the puppy shows baby how to have a good night. G. P. Putnam’s Sons

I Like it When by Mary Murphy
Bond with your baby as you read this book about spending time together. Harcourt Brace

Let’s Eat / Vamos a Comer by Alan Benjamin
Illustrated by Hideo Shirotani
You’ll find pictures of common foods and eating utensils, with words in Spanish and English. Simon & Schuster 1992

Maybe My Baby by Irene O’Book, Photos by Paula Hible
It’s rhyme time with photos of babies dressed up as different workers, and the loving assurance from parents that, “I’ll love you however, whatever you are.” HarperCollins

“More, More, More,” said the Baby: 3 Love Stories by Vera B. Williams
Baby wants the toss-in-the-air and chase games to continue forever! Greenwillow Books

One Bear, One Dog by Paul Stickland
Can you guess who will join the animal parade? Ragged Bears

Peekaboo Baby by Margaret Miller
Babies love to peek at other babies. Little Simon

Peek-a-Moo by Marie Torres Cimarusti
Illustrated by Stephanie Peterson
Play peek-a-boo with a different animal on each page, guessing what it is, then lifting the flap to find out. Dutton Children’s Books

Peek-A-Who? by Nina Laden
Cut-out pictures, rhymes, and a safety mirror make for lots of fun for baby. Chronicle Books

Silly Little Goose by Nancy Tafuri
A goose tries out a few odd places to make her nest before finally settling on an old straw hat. Scholastic Press

Toes, Ears and Nose by Marion Dane Bauer
Illustrated by Karen Katz
This lift-the-flap adventure is an introduction to various body parts; with fingers behind mittens, toes inside boots and more! Little Simon 2003

Touch and Feel Farm
Feel the feathers of a chick and the skin of a pig through the openings in this petting book. Little Simon

What’s On My Head? by Margaret Miller
Giggle at these photos of babies with silly things on their heads. Little Simon 1998

Where Is Baby’s Belly Button? by Karen Katz
This is lift-the-flap fun for baby. Little Simon

Who Said Moo? by Harriet Ziefert
Illustrated by Simms Taback
“Someone said moo. Was it you?” Find out who in this lift-the-flap surprise book. Handprint Books/Blue Apple Books

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For Older Babies

**Blankie** by Leslie Patricelli
How many things can you do with your blankie? Here are some ideas. Candlewick Press

**First Words** Usborne Look and Say
This is a colorful picture dictionary of a baby’s world. Usborne

**Good Night** by Debbie Bailey
Photos by Susan Huszar
Photos of different families show the fun and chores that come with bedtime. Firefly Books

**Grow Up!** by Nina Laden
What will baby grow up to be? So many possibilities! Chronicle Books

**Hooray for Fish!** by Lucy Cousins
Little Fish has all sorts of fishy friends in his underwater home, but loves one of them most of all. Candlewick Press

**My Mom** by Debbie Bailey
Photos by Susan Huszar
This great book encourages babies to talk about what their mommies do for them. Firefly Books

**Peekaboo Morning** by Rachel Isadora
Can you guess who’s peeking at this boy? G. P. Putnam's Sons

**This Little Chick** by John Lawrence
Babies will learn animal sounds and rhymes as they follow Little Chick. Candlewick Press

**Toddler Two / Dos Anos** by Anastasia Suen
Illustrated by Winnie Cheon
Help baby say hands and feet, arms and legs, in both English and Spanish. Lee & Low Books

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**Too Big for Diapers** by John E. Barrett
Baby Ernie tries out his new potty, because he is too big for diapers! Random House

**Trucks, Trucks, Trucks** by Peter Sis
Can these trucks help a boy clean up a mess? Harper Festival

**Wibbly Pig Likes Bananas** by Mick Inkpen
Babies point to what they like in this cute, interactive board book. Viking

**Whose Baby Am I?** by John Butler
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