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Books for Toddlers:

Mama cat has three kittens by Denise Fleming, © 1998. (FAVORITES, Fleming) Five creatures by Tomek Bogacki, © 2001. (CONCEPTS, Jenkins) Families, families by Suzanne Lang, © 2015. (GROWING, Lang) Mommy, Mama, and Me by Leslea Newman, © 2009. (BOARD, Newman) The brother book by Todd Parr, © 2018. (GROWING, Parr) The sister book by Todd Parr, © 2018. (GROWING, Parr)

Books for Preschoolers:

Little brothers & little sisters by Monica Arnaldo, © 2018. (GROWING, Arnaldo) Over the river & through the wood. by Linda Ashman, © 2015. (CELEBRATE, Ashman) My cold plum lemon pie blusy mood. by Tameka Fryer Brown, © 2013. (+PICTBOOK, Brown)

Alma and how she got her name. by Juana Martinez-Neal, © 2018. (FAVORITES, Martinez-Neal)

A family is a family is a family by Sara O'Leary, © 2016. (GROWING, O'Leary) A tale of two daddies by vanita Oelschlager, © 2010. (GROWING, Oelschlager) I wonder: celebrating Daddies doin' work by Doyin Richards, © 2016. (GROWING, Richards)

Blackout by John Rocco, © 2011. (FAVORTIES, Rocco)

A gift from Abuela. by Cecilia Ruiz, © 2018. (STORIES, Ruiz)

One Family by George Shannon, © 2015. (FAVORTIES, Shannon)

School-Age Extension:

When I am old with you. by Angela Johnson, © 1990. (ADVANCED, Johnson) A Different Pond by Bao Phi, © 2017. (ADVANCED, Phi) The great big book of families by Mary Hoffman, © 2010. (306.85 H675g) Drawn Together by Minh Le, © 2018. (STOREIS Le)



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Fingerplays & Songs:

This is a Family

This is a family. (hold up one hand, fingers spread)

Let's count them and see, How many there are,

And who they can be.

This is the father, (touch pointer finger)

Who loves everyone.

And this is the mother, (touch big finger)

Who is lots of fun.

This is my sister, (touch ring finger)

She helps and she plays.

And this is the baby, (touch little finger)

He's growing each day.

But who is this one? (touch thumb)

He's out there alone,

Why it's Jackie, the dog,

And he's chewing a bone. (wiggle thumb.)

Grandpa and Grandma

Grandpa is my buddy, Grandma is too. They always try to help me With what I want to do.

They help me learn to hammer, (pretend to pound nails)

They help me learn to sew, (pretend to sew) They help me learn to play games, (pretend to play cards)

And make my playdough. (pretend to knead)

They always take the time To explain how things go. They always take the time To explain how things grow.

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Mommy Song - Sung to the tune of "BINGO"

I love her and she loves me, And Mommy is her name-o. M-O-M-M-Y M-O-M-M-Y M-O-M-M-Y And Mommy is her name-o.

Second Verse: switch to DADDY

From: What to Expect http://bit.ly/181DMQt

Little Arabella Miller - Sung to "Twinkle Twinkle Little Star"

Little Arabella Miller had a fuzzy caterpillar
First it crawled upon her mother
Then upon her baby brother
They said Arabella Miller "put away that caterpillar"
Little Arabella Miller had a fuzzy caterpillar
First it crawled upon her brother
Then upon her dear grandmother
Gran said Arabella Miller
"How I love your caterpillar"
From: Gail Thomson at the Vancouver Public Library via Jbrary
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QoHq4pqkjJ4



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Big Book: *Loving* by Author Ann Morris, © 1994.

Flannel Boards: The Old Woman, Napping House

Prop Stories: The Napping House, Bark George

Movies: All the World, Blackout

App: Apps that families can use together: Kids Listen (podcasts for families), Novel Effect Color

Clues (treasure hunt!)

Stamps: Heart Stamp, Lips (with SWAK)

Craft:

Family Hands – Have the child trace their hand or the hand of their caregiver, then they can draw their "family" on the fingers. Add buttons, cloth, paper scraps for extra decoration. Explain that family can mean whatever they like. (Parents, grandparents, neighbors, etc.) For extra fun, put out big pieces of paper and have kids make a banner of all of their family hands.

Postcard – Design and write a postcard for a family member that is far away or across town. If made on cardstock and it is between 3.5"*5" and 4.25"*6", it can be mailed. **Family Portrait** - Pass out the fancy picture frame sheet and have the kiddos draw their family picture.

Play Literacy: The Enormous Carrot – Storytime Theater

Early Learning Tip:

Read a Book for Yourself! When you visit the library, be sure to pick up a book for yourself to read, too! When you're reading for pleasure you are your child's role model.



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