

Peekaboo Morning

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Peekaboo! I see...This story is based on the popular children's game. A baby plays peekaboo all day long with people and things.

New words and sounds your baby might learn:

puppy, train, bunny, butterfly, friend, me, you.

Before:

- Play peekaboo with your baby before reading the book so they are familiar with the game.

During:

- Hold your baby in your lap as you read the book.
- As you read the book, describe what the baby is doing on each page. "The baby is waking up. Peekaboo, I see..."
- The repetitive text "Peekaboo! I see..." makes it easy for a baby/toddler to follow along. Emphasize the phrase and pause for your baby's reaction.
- Exaggerate the word "peekaboo" each time you read it. You may want to cover your baby's eyes.
- Your baby will begin to anticipate something is going to happen each time they hear the word "peekaboo".
- Point to and name the objects the baby sees when you say peekaboo.
- For your toddler, talk about the warmth of daddy's hug, the laugh on grandma's face, the curiosity on the toddler's face, etc.

After:

- Continue to play peekaboo with things that you find in your baby's environment. Say, "Peekaboo! I see," and name the object. Your baby will learn every time you say peekaboo to begin looking for something.

Try some of the ideas above. Continue to use your own imagination during book play, too. Have fun with the book and enjoy your time together.

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