

Bookbug is Scottish Book Trust's early years programme.



Sharing books helps your little one's development, language and social skills



Spend a few minutes reading with your child every day



It's fun, free and simple, and the benefits last a lifetime

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Bookbug Bags

Every child in Scotland is entitled to four free bags of books:





Toddler Baa

Baby Bag

From your health visitor when your baby is 3–5 weeks.





From your health visitor when

your toddler is 13–15 months.

Explorer Bag

From your child's early years setting when they are 3.

Primary 1 Family Bag

From school when your child is in P1.

Gaelic Bookbug Bags are available for families interested in Gaelic. Tactile books are available for children who need additional support. Your health visitor or early years setting can ask for these resources from the local Bookbug Co-ordinator.

Bookbug's top tips



Read a story

It's never too early to start reading with your little one. They love the sound of your voice, and cuddling up for some special time with you.



Have a cuddle

Sharing a book is the perfect time for a cuddle. It will make your child feel relaxed, and skin-to-skin contact with babies can help them thrive.



Share a song or rhyme

Hearing different sounds in songs and rhymes helps with speech and language development. Try a song together over the page.

Relax and enjoy

You are the best person to share books, songs and rhymes with your child! There's no right or wrong way – just do what works best for you and have fun together.

Come along to Bookbug Sessions!

Bring your little one to free story, song and rhyme sessions at your local library or community venue. Find an online or local session on our website.

Try a song today

Twinkle, Twinkle

Twinkle, twinkle, little star, How I wonder what you are! Up above the world so high, Like a diamond in the sky. Twinkle, twinkle, little star, How I wonder what you are!





Find more songs and rhymes on our website and the Bookbug app.

Scan the QR code for more information.

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