

Books to Read

The benefits of reading to preschoolers are endless. The following pages list some books that highlight vision and hearing. We hope that you are able to read some of these books with your children to help them understand the importance of healthy eyes and ears and also to encourage them if they are struggling with a vision or hearing issue.

Tips for Parents and Teachers:

- Ask Your Child to Make Predictions
Read the title and look at the cover, then ask your child to tell you what they think might happen in the book.
- Ask Your Child What Is Happening in the Pictures
When your child examines what is happening in a picture and explains it, it develops their inference skills.
- Move Your Finger as You Read
By moving your finger underneath the words as you read, your child understands that you read left to right and top to bottom. It also helps children from a very young age to understand that the words you are saying are those written on the page, not just your own thoughts.
- Ask Questions
Asking a question every few pages is frequent enough to check your child's understanding without breaking the flow of the story. You can ask basic recall questions as well as reasoning questions.
- Reread the same books again and again
Children like to read the same books over and over again. This helps them to make permanent in their mind the words and concepts that their brain is understanding.
- Really enjoy the book with your child
If you don't take time to truly enjoy a book with your child, the likelihood of them enjoying it greatly decreases.

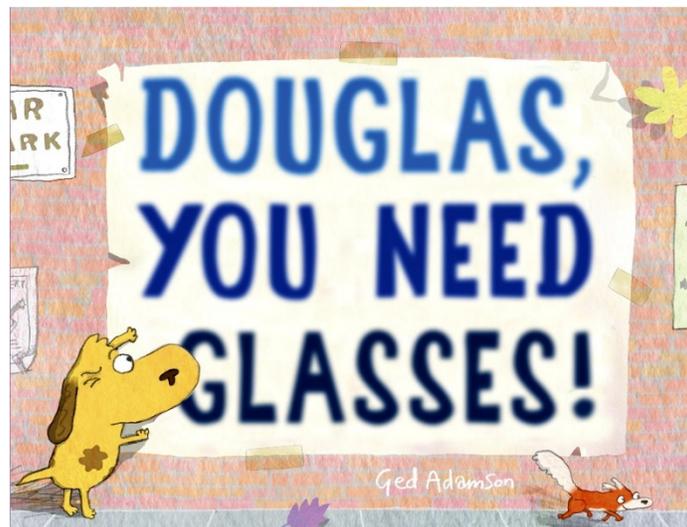
I Can See Just Fine by Eric Barclay

- Though Paige claims she can see just fine, her parents grow concerned and decide it is time for Paige to visit the eye doctor. Paige remains defiant until she finds the perfect frames and more importantly, perfect eyesight.



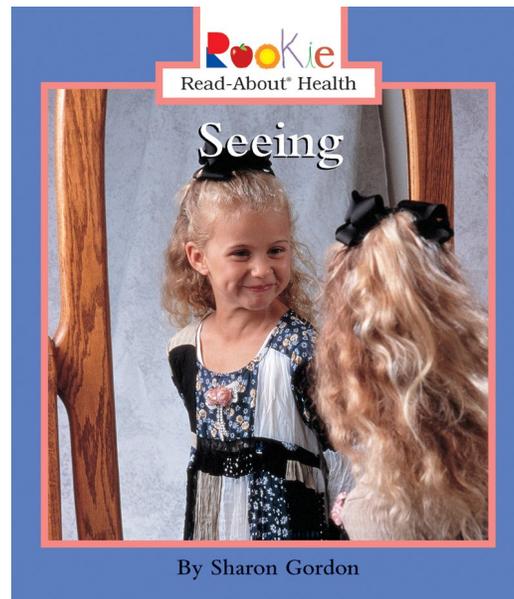
Douglas, You Need Glasses by Ged Adamson

- Meet Douglas, a dog with a big problem: he needs eyeglasses but doesn't know it, and his bad eyesight tends to land him in some pretty hairy situations.



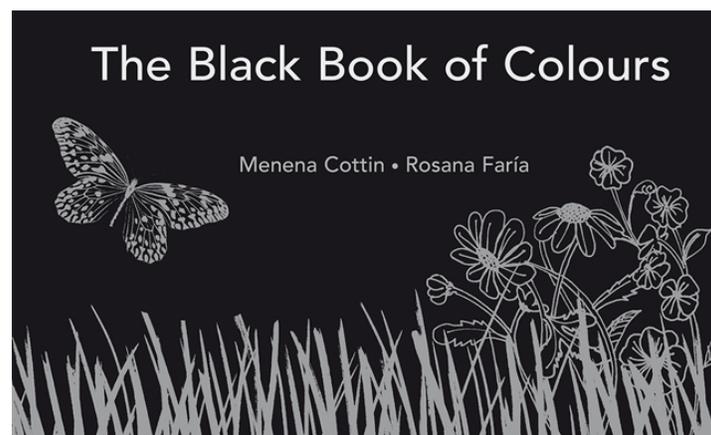
Seeing by Sharon Gordon

- o Seeing is an informative introduction to the sense of sight that covers all the important eye parts and how they work. Vivid photos put images to new vocabulary words such as "pupil" and "iris."



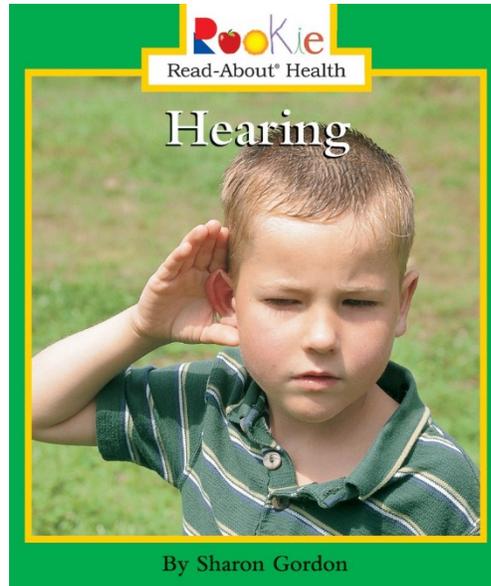
The Black Book of Colors by Menena Cottin

- o Our eyes tell us about color. But what if you are blind? Can you still know colors? Using simple language and beautiful textured art, this book shows you how to see without your eyes. The pages are black, but using your imagination and your senses you can hear, smell, touch and taste colors.



Hearing by Sharon Gordon

- This book teaches young readers about the sense of hearing, explaining how the ears work, how certain things make sounds, and how the ear differentiates between different sounds.



Dad & Me In The Morning by Patricia Lakin

- Early one morning a young boy wakes to his special alarm clock. He puts on his hearing aids and clothes, then goes to wake his father. Together they brave the cold as they walk down the dirt road that leads to the beach.

