The Raising A Reader book collection includes more than 2000 titles from more than 40 different publishers.

Book titles are carefully chosen to represent a wide selection of concepts.

The collection is designed to provide children with both a window to the world that surrounds them and a mirror of the world that they know.

GENRES
Book titles are carefully chosen to represent a wide selection of concept genres including:
- Rhythm and Rhyme
- Colors/Shapes
- Wordless/Limited Text
- Numeracy
- Alphabet/Letters
- Special Collections

DIVERSITY
In addition to ensuring that our books meet a variety of developmental objectives, we include books that reflect both the broad diversity of the world and the specific cultures of the families that we serve.

MULTILINGUAL
To support the home language of families, our collection includes books written in more than 15 different languages, including Spanish, Chinese, Arabic, Burmese, Vietnamese, Portuguese and more.

ABOUT US
Raising A Reader is a national non-profit organization offering local agencies an evidence-based early literacy and parent engagement program that has demonstrated it can improve the reading readiness skills of children birth to age eight.

FAST FACTS
- Since 1999, Raising A Reader (RAR) has reached more than 1.625 million children.
- In 2017, RAR served more than 126,000 children and their families.
- RAR has 290 affiliates in 37 states in more than 2,900 implementation sites.
- RAR has 34 independent evaluations demonstrate Raising A Reader’s impact on family engagement, language and early literacy skills.
PRAISE FOR RAISING A READER

“We love the books. They have such beautiful illustrations and great stories. Tuesday has become our family’s favorite day of the week, because that is when the red book bags are sent home from school.”

- Parent, North Carolina

“The program has helped my son to get more excited about learning to read, and we find him in his bedroom “reading” through the books on his own now. Not only that, but it gives us something to look forward to each night as we get to read together before bedtime. And, when he sees books he’s taken home before, he still gets excited because he remembers the story. We wanted to thank you very much.”

- Parent, Pennsylvania

SAMPLE BOOK LIST

RHYTHM AND RHYME:
All the Colors of the Earth, by Sheila Hamanaka
Is Your Mama a Llama, by Deborah Guarino
Feast for 10, by Cathryn Falwell

NUMBERS:
Marcos Counts: One, Two, Three, by Tomie De Paola
Mojo Means One: A Swahili Counting Book, by Muriel Feelings
One Woolly Wombat, by Rod Trinca

WORDLESS/LIMITED TEXT:
Pancakes for Breakfast, by Tomie De Paola
Look What I Can Do!, by Jose Aruego
White on Black, by Tana Hoban
Mama: A True Story, by Jeanette Winter
The Red Book, by Barbara Lehman

ALPHABET/LETTERS:
Eating the Alphabet: Fruits and Vegetables from A to Z, by Lois Ehlert
Brian Wildsmith’s ABC, by Brian Wildsmith (Multiple languages available)
Gathering the Sun: An Alphabet in Spanish and English, by Alma Flor Ada

COLORS/SHAPES:
Baby Gecko's Colors/Colores de Bebé Geco, by Nancy Twinem
Red is the Dragon, by Roseanne Thong
Blue Hat, Green Hat, by Sandra Boynton
Bear in a Square, by Stella Blackstone
It Looked Like Spilt Milk, by Charles G. Shaw

OTHER GENRES INCLUDED:
The collection is continually growing and changing to meet the needs of the communities we serve.

• STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math)
• Financial Literacy
• Special Needs
• Expository text/information
• Social/Emotional Well-being

STEM EXAMPLE:
Motion-Push, Pull, Fast, Slow, by Darlene Stille (Science)
Switch On, Switch Off, by Melvin Berger (Technology)
Engineering in Our Everyday Life, by Reagan Miller (Engineering)
Patterns, by Henry Pluckrose (Math)