



Why?



Looking at photos books of familiar people and objects is a great way for your baby to-

Learn new words

Enjoy the closeness of sharing a book with you

Learn the names of people in their family

Feel safe and secure

Be encouraged to make sounds and say words

Express their likes and dislikes

### What to do?

Collect photo of people or objects that are familiar to your child.

Glue them into a note book or laminate them and hole punch the edges and tie them together with ribbon to make a book or put them into a book or buy a small plastic photo album to put them in.



Sit with your child,  
Point to the pictures,  
Talk about the photos or make up a story,  
Use simple language,  
Praise your child when they point and say words or sounds,  
Encourage your child to turn the pages.

'Children's books don't always have appropriate pictures in them or they are expensive or too long-so why not try making your own!'



You could make photo books of...

Familiar pets

Familiar places (shops, park, Children Centre etc)

Family members

Transport

Favourite food

Animals

Buildings

Favourite toys

Other ideas...

Try making a book after a holiday or day out...

Stick in photos, postcards, tickets and pictures

Your child will enjoy looking through it and remembering the day, and it can be used a talking point

You can also keep it as a valuable **KEEPSAKE** to look back on in years to come!