

TACT RECOMMENDED READING LIST: PRE-KINDERGARTEN (AGES NEWBORN– 5) In ascending order of difficulty within each topic

Board Books (Stiff cardboard books for 0 – 3 years)

1. *Toddler Two*. Anastasia Suen. Friends find many items that come in twos
2. *Subway*. Anastasia Suen. Babies ride the New York subway
3. *Yum Yum Dim Sum*. Amy Wilson. Paper versions of dim sum
4. *Bringing in the New Year*. Grace Lin. Simple explanation of Lunar New Year

Toddler (1 – 3 years)

5. *My First Chinese New Year*. Karen Katz. Simple elements of New Year
6. *One is a Drummer*. Roseanne Greenfield Thong. A book of numbers
7. *Round is a Mooncake*. Roseanne Greenfield Thong. A book of shapes
8. *Red is the Dragon*. Roseanne Greenfield Thong. A book of colors
9. *Gai See*. Roseanne Thong. Things to see in Chinese street markets

10. *Oh, Oh, Baby Boy*. Janine Macbeth. A baby grows up to fatherhood
11. *Hush!* Minfong Ho. A Thai village goes to sleep, shows people, homes, animals
12. *Too Many Mangos*. Tammy Paikai. Children pass out mangoes and receive food gifts in return

Preschool (3 – 5 years)

13. *Hawaii is a Rainbow*. Stephanie Feeney. Wordless book about colors in Hawaii
14. *Hula Lullaby*. Erin Eitter Kono. Poem about encouraging baby to go to sleep in Hawaii, good details
15. *Luka's Quilt*. Georgia Guback. Girl and her grandmother have different expectations of Hawaiian quilt

16. *Ten Days and Nine Nights: An Adoption Story*. Yumi Heo. Girl counts down days before her new sibling arrives from Korea
17. *Polka Dot Penguin Pottery*. Lenore Look & Yumi Heo. A girl has writer's block

18. *This Next New Year*. Janet S. Wong. Korean/Chinese boy celebrates New Year

19. *Thanking the Moon*. Grace Lin. September Moon Festival celebration
20. *Dim Sum for Everyone*. Grace Lin. A family eats lunch at a restaurant
21. *Fortune Cookie Fortunes*. Grace Lin. A family's good fortunes.

22. *Kite Flying*. Grace Lin. A family makes a kite together.