# 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

"Grow a Reader"

Level 5: 401-500

### WRITE

- Children learn pre-reading skills by scribbling, drawing, and forming letters.
- Keep paper, crayons/markers on a table where kids can use them easily.

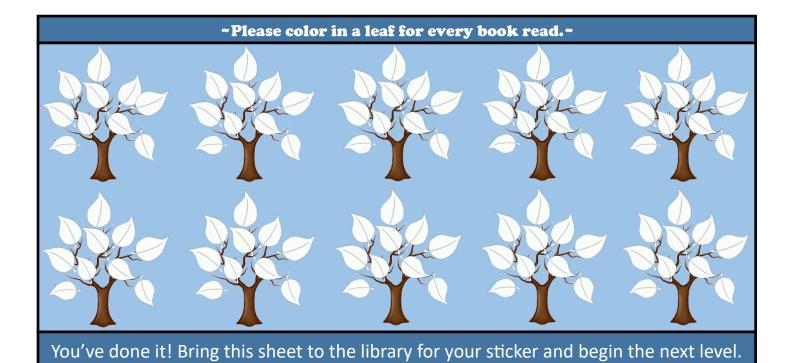
#### **Books That Support Writing**

- Alphabet books
- Books with "handwritten" lettering
- Books that model writing



Chipmunks are good

swimmers.



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# Fun to try at home...

• Learn new fingerplays or practice old ones.

(Example: "Itsy Bitsy Spider") This develops finger coordination and matches movements to words. Once learned, these are great on the go too!

Crumple it up.

Little ones can crumple/tear up scrap paper—it helps to develop their hand muscles.

## Fun on the go...

Keep a notebook and crayons with you.

Have your child draw what they see. Date and keep the notebooks and watch their development grow.

Make flash cards.

Kids can practice tracing the letters, numbers, or shapes.

My five favorite books were	