

Beyond the Book...

Title: Giggles with Daddy

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Summary: "There's nothing better than laughing together—this book will have daddies and babies giggling the day away!" Each page features a different baby with their daddy as they share time together giggling and laughing. Oh, how fun!



Before Reading...

- Take a picture walk through the book (turn the pages and talk about the pictures). Ask questions like "What are they doing together? Do they look happy or sad? Do you think that they might be laughing?" As you ask these questions, you will be answering your own questions for your baby. This is a great way to talk with your baby and allow him/her to hear the sounds of language.

During Reading...

- Laugh and giggle with your baby. Ask the question "Can you giggle?" (Giggle for your baby after you ask the question.) Say "Can you hear mommy/daddy giggle?" (Again, giggle!) Encourage your child to 'giggle' with you.
- Continue to talk about each baby as you read each page, pointing out different things to your baby. "That baby is holding a ball. Ball!" You can talk about colors. "He's wearing a pretty red jacket. See the red jacket? Red!"

After Reading...

- Act out 'tickle time' which will cause your baby to laugh/giggle.
- Continue to talk about giggles.
- Play 'hugs with daddy' or 'hugs with mommy' or 'hugs with grandma', etc.

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