For over 20 years, Bright Horizons® has shared high-quality children’s book recommendations with families, children, and teachers through our Growing Readers program.

Now, we’re bringing Growing Readers: Ready to Read — our new curriculum supplement — into our classrooms!

It’s designed to support pre-reading and reading skills for children in preschool, kindergarten prep, and kindergarten, but it builds on language experiences that we provide in the infant and toddler years.

Growing Readers: Ready to Read is based on three components that young children need in order to thrive as readers:

1. **Joy**
   Infants develop a sense of joy for all that reading provides through language-rich relationships with trusted adults. Daily reading creates a foundation for a lifelong love of reading.

2. **Confidence**
   Toddlers need easy access to books — to handle, use, and interact with — to learn about book knowledge and print concepts. Relaxed reading experiences foster independence.

3. **Skills**
   Preschoolers are ready to learn strategies for lifelong reading; these must include book, technical, and content knowledge.

All Growing Readers: Ready to Read experiences include age-appropriate instruction in...

**Book Knowledge**
Children learn to care for and handle books; as children grow, they learn the parts of a book, about the title and author, and more.

**Technical Knowledge**
Children become aware of letters, gain an understanding of the sounds they make, learn speech-sound correspondence, and enjoy the written word.

**Content Knowledge**
Children increase their vocabulary, comprehend text, retell stories, make predictions, and create books of their own.

We connect Growing Readers books to strategic literacy concepts and provide a wide variety of other language experiences to prepare children for reading joy and success.

For more information on our Growing Readers program visit, brighthorizons.com/growingreaders.