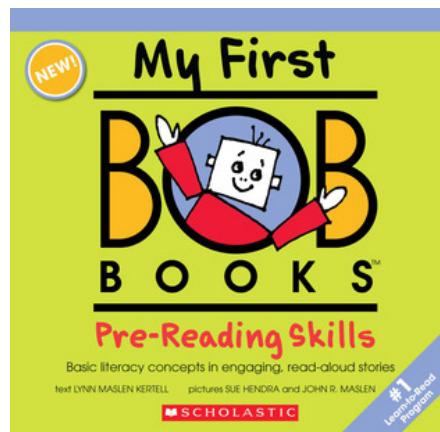




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In these 12 warm and humorous little books, Sally the Circle and her friends introduce important skills that help prepare your child for reading. Your youngsters will never know they're learning as they follow the adventures of Sally, Seth, and Tanner but you will.

Identifying basic shapes prepares kids to recognize letters.

Sorting and classifying strengthens symbol identification and problem solving skills.

Learning simple patterns builds awareness of letter groups and sight words.

Sequencing strengthens the ability to predict how stories flow.

The Parent Guide offers easy teaching tips that support skills' growth with games and activities.

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Margaret Chind says

What is pre-reading you ask? One of the first things that a person needs to learn in preparing to read is the fact that the objects or text on a page are saying something to you. A basic beginning skill is shapes. These My First Bob Books Pre-Reading Skills books use shapes in a fun and personable way to help prepare kiddos for letter recognition. Learning about Sally the Circle and Tanner the Triangle and even Seth the Square teaches sounds without the child realizing they are learning. There are patterns to see and sorting to happen. I love it when AppleBlossom is "reading" these with me and she's all frustrated that the triangles are next to the circles when almost everything else is separate. :)

By now you probably know that I love the My First Bob Books – Alphabet and the new Bob Books Early Readers. It's no surprise that I quite adore the Pre-Reading Skills as well. At first I was a little confused, because I was not quite certain what shapes had to do with reading. But then I realized it's not all about a spelling and vocabulary lesson (although that is there two with the text about these circle, square and triangle characters as well as the pictures of the things they interact with). There is so much more to learning about what goes on a page and the things around us. The skills taught in these little books is provided in a fun manner, so that while your child just thinks you're snuggling down to read in a cuddly small book they are actually getting spacial recognition, sight words, sequencing and more. These also provide for dialogue and discussion as you can interact with your child about what is going on with the characters.

So many ways to learn in such a small package!

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Denise says

The entire series of Bob books is a good way to help the pre and beginning reader. I like these books because I can toss several in a day pack, purse, or suitcase. Shot enough for the short attention span of a short person.

Cosette says

Hope this helps my reading literacy. Cause I'm about to call up some therapy session for Sally.

Carol says

The Bob Books were recommended to me by someone whose children are attending a private school that recommends and uses these books. I hadn't heard of them, so sought them out. They seem to me to be an updated step-up from "Dick and Jane." Useful to some degree but only if, in the case of this set of books, augmented with some tactile shapes for kids to grab onto. For easy readers, I'd rather cruise the Easy Readers section of my local public library. Many excellent authors and illustrators have been writing for this age. For

me, the goal is to engage and entice youngsters to read. I want them to love fiction and non-fiction. These books seemed more about vocabulary than story and illustration. They seem geared to the proverbial test rather than to developing a life-long hunger for reading and learning. That said, I haven't tried them out on my young charge and there seem to be many who enjoy these books. Personally, I endured and hated the teacher approved Dick and Janes. I loved Nancy Drews, which were universally disapproved of by my teachers. I met a teacher who hadn't read but disapproved of "Captain Underpants." When I showed her the copy I'd just bought she was amazed by the four excellent vocabulary words that showed up on the two randomly chosen pages in front of us. She said, "I'll have to rethink this." We've done a great job of making education boring when, in fact, it is intrinsically exciting to learn about how the world works. Getting youngsters excited about reading is the start to helping them become enthusiastic, independent, engaged, life-long learners.

Tiffany says

Another great set of BOB Books!
