

1st Grade Level

# Baby Shark Sings

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Kids learn best when the material is something they are interested in. Period. And young children everywhere are loving everything Baby Shark! You can't hum it or show a picture of a shark to a little one without their "Doo Doo Doo" shortly following!

So knowing that kids learn best when they are interested in something, curriculum author Donna Reish has teamed up with illustrator Bren Marie to design three of the most darling readers you will find!

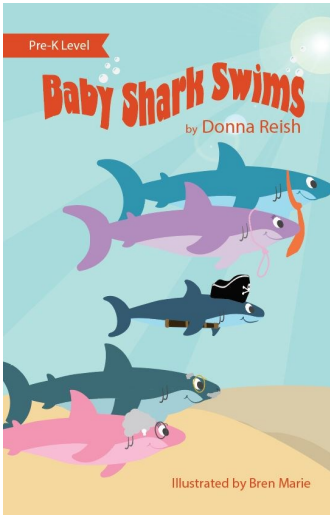
But they are not only darling—they are purposeful and effective.

The approach used to create these readers is a win-win for your emerging readers:

1. The books are vocabulary-controlled. This means that they contain a set number of unique words per book (fewer for the pre-school level and more for the first grade level).
2. Because the books are vocabulary-controlled, the words are repeated throughout the book. This repetition brings familiarity with the words, and this approach will have even your non-reader recognizing words quickly.
3. The books contain a beginning reader approach known as rebus. A rebus is an image above a word that shows what that word is (Baby Shark above the words *Baby Shark*, for instance). This approach gets your reader reading immediately with the Baby Shark readers. The rebus icons are lessened throughout the series as your student's reading skills increase.
4. These vocabulary-controlled books contain mostly words from primer, kindergarten, and first grade traditional sight word lists (Dolch and Fry). This means that the words your student will encounter in the *Sharky* reading series will be the same words he is learning at school.

Finally, *Sharky* has a parent/teacher book that helps the adults in your child's life learn how to help him gain the reading skills needed to succeed in school. This extensive guide will help you know how to help your child build language skills naturally, learn letters and sounds more easily, sound out words with less frustration, build comprehension for strong school skills later, and much more.

Oh, and purchasers of a *Baby Shark* reader will get a free *Baby Shark* activity/coloring book with many of the same words and the same pictures and characters from the books!

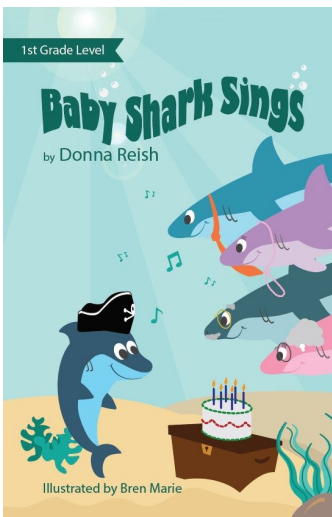
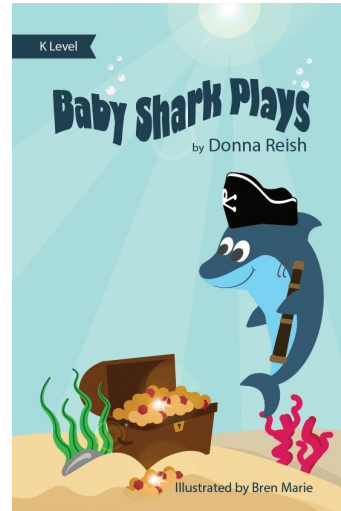


## Volume I - Preschool

*Baby Shark Swims*, the pre-school reader, is absolutely darling—and can be read by even your non-reading preschooler and kindergartener thanks to the extensive rebus images above the words! It is colorful and inviting and only contains twenty unique words (used repeatedly in the story since repetition is crucial in learning sight words). It contains under 100 total words and introduces Baby, Mommy, Daddy, Grandma, and Grandpa in a colorful, watery world.

## Volume II – Kindergarten

*Baby Shark Plays*, the kindergarten reader, picks up where *Baby Shark Swims* left off. This reader contains thirty-three unique words with rebus images above each word the first time that word is used. It contains 110 total words with a little more detailed story line for your emerging reader. It contains the same darling characters from the pre-school reader and adds some of Baby Shark's friends in the colorful world under the sea!



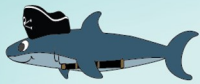
## Volume III - First Grade

*Baby Shark Sings*, the first grade reader, has Baby Shark planning a surprise for Mommy Shark while she plans a surprise for him! This reader contains forty-four unique words with rebus images above the non-primer words the first time each one is used. It contains 150 total words with a story kids will love. And, of course, it ends with a song—and the whole Baby Shark family!

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Baby Shark Coloring and Activity Book**



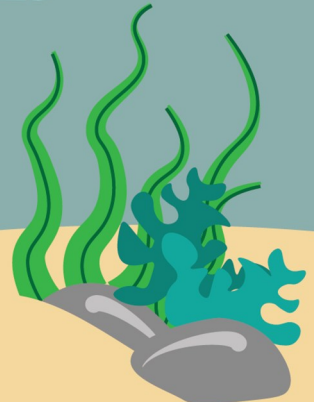
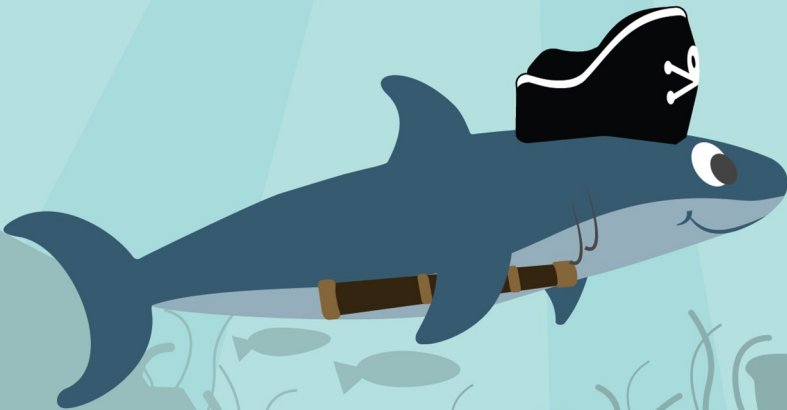
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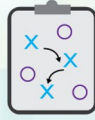
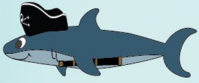


Baby Shark swims.



Baby Shark swims to go hide.





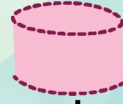
Baby Shark has a plan.

Baby Shark will not tell his plan.

My Plan.  
Shhhhhhhh!







Baby Shark makes a cake.



He makes a cake for Mommy Shark.



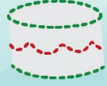




At home, Mommy Shark



has a plan too.



She makes a cake for Baby Shark.





Daddy Shark helps



Mommy Shark make the cake.

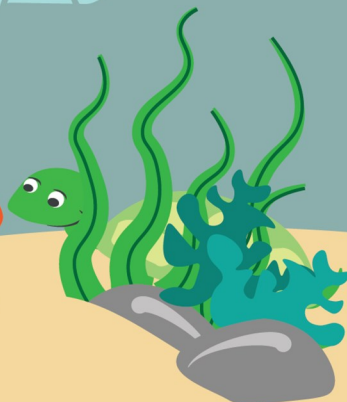
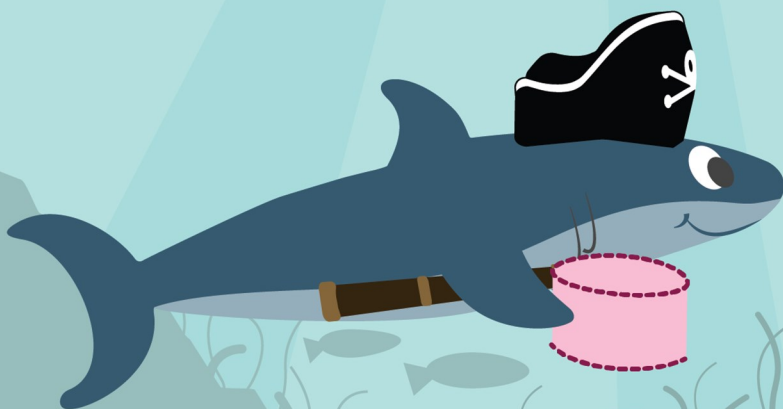




Baby Shark swims.



He swims home with his good cake.



When he gets home,

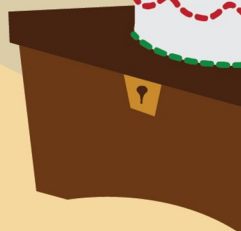
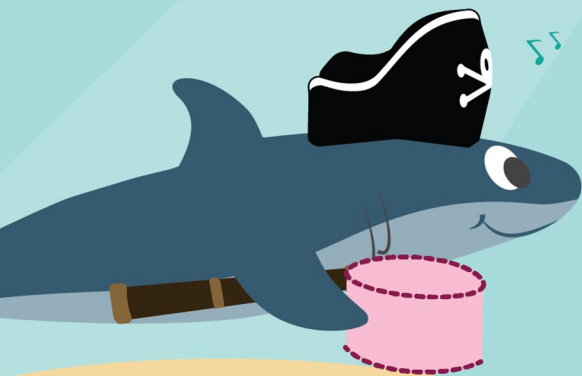


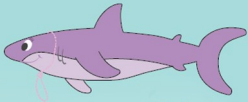
Baby Shark sings.

Baby Shark sings to



Mommy Shark.





Mommy Shark sings to Baby Shark.



Daddy Shark sings to



Baby Shark.



They have two cakes.



They sing two songs.





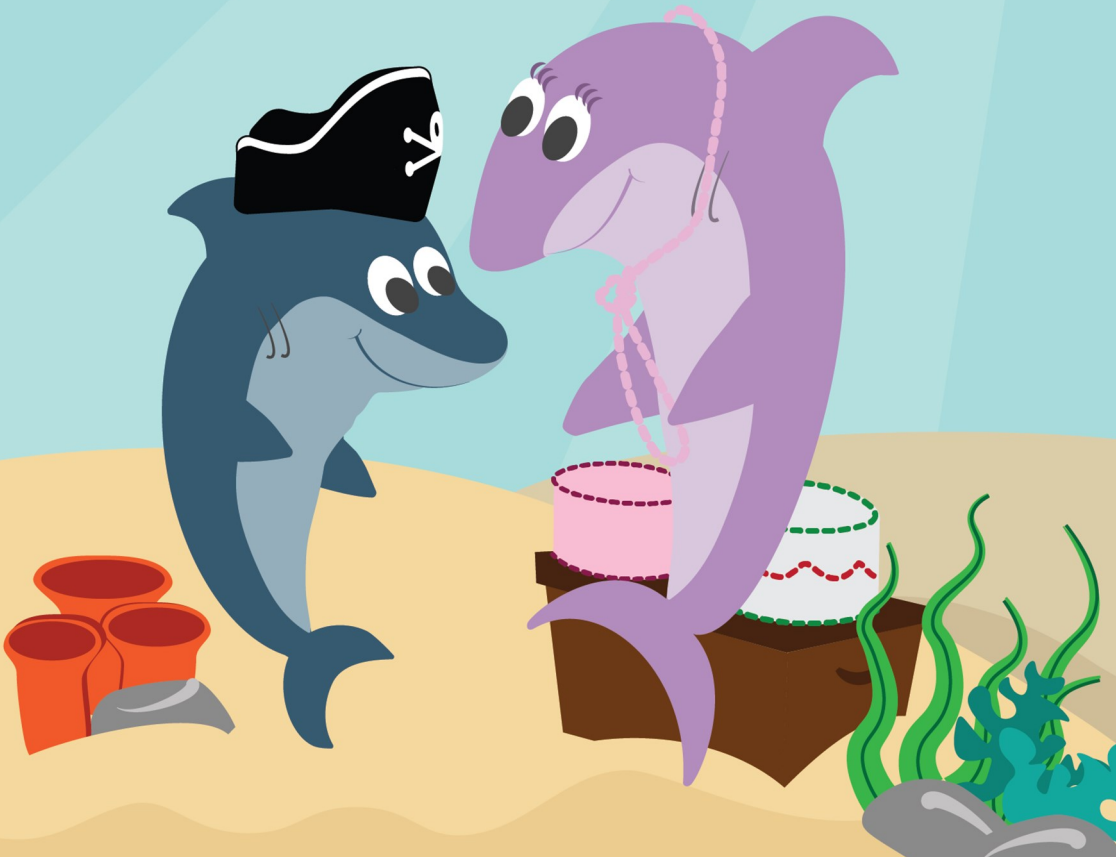
It is a good day.



It is a good day for Baby Shark.



It is a good day for Mommy Shark.





It's THE END.

DOO - DOO - DOO - DOO - DOO!



## About The Authors

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Donna Reish, author of over 100 curriculum books for preschool through twelfth grades totaling over fifty thousand pages, loves to teach and write books that teach kids! She homeschooled her own children for thirty-two years and continues to teach local home-schoolers as she tests her readers, writing curricula, and grammar/spelling books with them. She and her husband operate a learning center in Fort Wayne, Indiana in which they teach homeschoolers and brick and mortar

school students through their programs, online classes, and private tutoring. Donna has an undergraduate degree in elementary education and master's work in Reading Specialist—but considers most of her “education” to be from teaching hundreds of kids to read and write over the past thirty years.

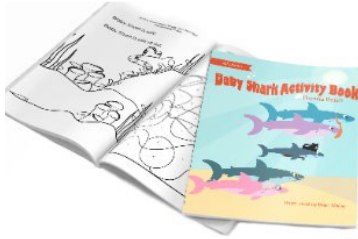


Bren Marie, illustrator of the beloved *Baby Shark* reader series, loves all things design, from business branding to children's book illustrations. Her happy place is in front of her computer screen turning shapes and colors into stories. She believes story is the anchor of humanity, and art is story that can be seen with the eyes. Her portfolio can be found at <https://brenmarie.com/portfolio/>.

Donna Reish Products and Services

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## FREE Baby Shark Coloring Book

<https://writeforamonth.com/free-baby-shark-printable-coloring-book/>



## FREE parent/teacher Early Reading Workshop using “Baby Shark”

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Watch Donna teach language arts and writing on YouTube at her ***Learn-for-a-Month Channel***



***Sound It Out and Baby Shark Readers (and More!)***

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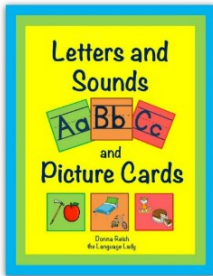
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Preschool—Primary Resources

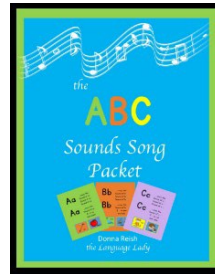
## ABC Letter and Picture Cards

Digital Product for flashcards, games, and more



## ABC Sounds Song Poster

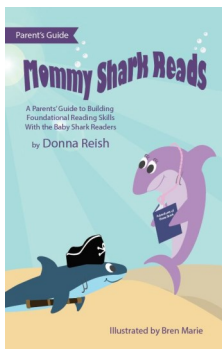
Digital Product--Posterettes to learn songs for beginning sounds; pictures coordinate with ABC cards



## Mommy Shark Reads

Parents' Guide to Using Baby Shark Readers for Foundational Reading Skills (Digital & Amazon Print)

(Check out Donna's FREE [EarlyReadingWorkshop.com](http://EarlyReadingWorkshop.com))



## Baby Shark Readers

Three beginning readers using popular Baby Shark characters; uses pictures (rebus) for some words as level-appropriate—Preschool, Kindergarten, 1st Grade Books (Digital & Amazon Print)

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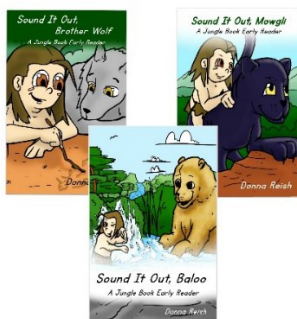
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## Preschool—Primary Resources

### Sound-It-Out Readers

Book-Movie-Book Readers with student text  
and parent/teacher text  
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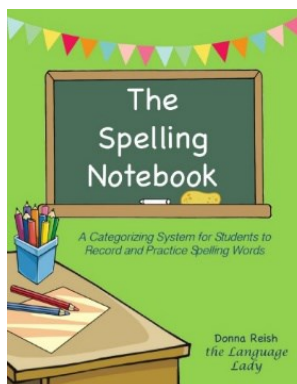
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### The Spelling Notebook

Word-family, incremental Spelling Notebook for student to record words under categorizing families and rules



### Six S Spelling Secret Student Packet

Spelling Practice Approach for home and school for all spelling lists. Digital product (Our stores and Teachers Pay Teachers)

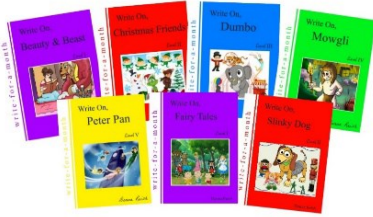


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# Starting Write On and/or Write-for-a-Month Books

**Step 1:** Choose Topic-Based (WO) or Writing-Type-Based (WFAM) Series

## Topic-Based (Write On--WO)



## Writing Type-Based Books (Write-for-a-Month--WFAM)



**Step 2:** Choose the Book From the Series Above

### Write On Topics-Based Books:

*(5 Levels/Books Per Topic Available)*

- Beauty & Beast
- Peter Pan
- Mowgli
- Dumbo
- Christmas Friends
- Slinky Dog
- Fairy Tales

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*(5+ Levels/Books Per Type Available)*

- Basic Biographies
- Daring Dialogue
- Easy Essays
- Real Reports
- Tool and Tricks\*
- Simple Stories
- Writing Boxes\*
- Twice Told Tales

**Step 3:** Choose the Level

**Level I** = Grade 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Level II** = Grade 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>

**Level III** = Grade 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, & 8<sup>th</sup>

**Level IV** = Grade 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>

**Level V** = Grade 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>

*\*Tools and Tricks and Writing Boxes are good first books since they teach my methods.*



# Only 44 Unique Words

(Supported With Rebus Icons)

## Pre Level Word List

Baby	not	too	they
Shark	tell	Daddy	two
swims	his	helps	songs
to	makes	make	it
go	cake	with	is
hide	he	good	day
has	for	when	it's
a	Mommy	gets	end
plan	at	sings	DOO
will	home	has	

## Join Baby Shark on All His Great Big Adventures

The ***Baby Shark Reader Series*** is the perfect first reader set for emerging readers! First of all, it is darling! Secondly, Baby Shark is popular and the song is catchy! (I'm sure your little one can sing it!) Third, it has a limited number of mostly "first grade" or under base words (taken from the popular Dolch and Fry sight word lists). Fourth, it uses an effective technique called rebus in which some of the words have images above them so the reader is cued with the picture as to what the word says. (This is used extensively in the pre-school book and is lessened through the series based on skill level.) Finally, the ***Baby Shark Reader Series*** has a parent/teacher book that helps the adults in your child's life learn how to help him gain the reading skills needed to succeed in school. Oh, and purchasers of a Baby Shark reader will get a free Baby Shark activity/coloring book with many of the same words and the same pictures and characters from the

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