# Big Conversations About Growing Families: New Baby

**The books in this list are about the changes that happen within families when they are expecting a new baby, where children might benefit from a deeper conversation to fully understand.**

| I'm a Big Brother | Joanna Cole |
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| Babies and their activities and needs are introduced in terms a big brother can understand. In this companion book, a young boy eagerly welcomes home his new baby brother. | |

| Will There Be a Lap For Me | Dorothy Corey |
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| Kyle misses his time on mother's lap while she is pregnant, but is happy when the birth of his baby brother makes her lap available again. This book explains the complex emotions a young child faces when welcoming a new baby to the family. | |

| We Have a Baby | Cathryn Falwell |
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| The arrival of a new baby is a cause for celebration, presenting opportunities to love, watch, touch, and care for the new family member. The whole family can participate in loving and caring for the new baby. This picture book shows how a toddler accepts & enjoys having a new baby in the house. | |

| What To Expect When Mommy's Having a Baby | Heidi Eisenberg Murkoff |
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| With the help of Angus, the lovable Answer Dog, best-selling author Heidi Murkoff extends a hand to children and parents as they tackle life's first experiences together. This book is meant to help you answer your child's questions about how a baby is created, how it grows, and how it comes out to join the family. | |

| We Are Expecting You | Barney Saltzberg |
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| This sweet, lyrical read-aloud shares all the love young siblings feel as they count down the days to their new baby's arrival! Following an adorable young elephant sibling who shares the boundless love and excitement he already has in his heart for this soon-to-be new family member. This book is a perfect for expectant families eagerly anticipating the big day. | |

| Patience, Patches | Christy Mihaly |
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| Patches the puppy is very good at waiting--or at least that's what he thinks. But his patience is put to the test when his two moms arrive home with an unexpected bundle. Is it a new toy? No! It's a new baby. Suddenly, everything Patches wants to do takes a little bit longer. But patience, it turns out, is a lesson worth learning. | |

| Families Grow | Dan Saks |
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| This warm appreciation of love invites the youngest readers to share in the joy and excitement of expecting families. The lyrical, rhyming text subtly references pregnancy, surrogacy, and adoption, gently touching on the different ways a family can grow. The book's celebratory yet comforting tone incites both appreciation and understanding, leaving readers with a lasting message of unconditional familial love. Includes a simple glossary at the end. | |

| My Brother is an Avocado | Tracy Darton |
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| A warm and funny stage-by-stage tour through all the sizes of a growing baby - from teeny-tiny poppy seed to giant watermelon. | |

| I am A Big Sister | Caroline Church |
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| With the arrival of a new baby comes many transitions, and big sisters may need a little extra tender loving care to adjust to a new family situation. This sweet story is just right to share with and prepare an older sister getting ready for an expanding family. | |

| Love Comes First | Jenna Bush Hager and Barbara Pierce Bush |
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| A celebration of families in which two sisters wish for a sibling and are surprised with a new baby brother and a new cousin. | |