

All About Me

BOOK LIST – COVERING MANY THEMES.

- *Family*, by Isabell Monk and illustrated by Janice Lee Porter, Carolrhoda Books, Inc., 2001 – A little girl names Hope goes to a big family gathering and shares her special “dessert” with everyone. This would be a good lead in to discussing extended family – who is in your family, when do you see them, what foods do you eat with them...?
- *The Family Book*, by Todd Parr, Little, Brown and Company, 2003—This colourful and simple book illustrates how families are different and special.
- *Fathers, Mothers, Sisters, Brothers: A Collection of Family Poems*, poems by Mary Ann Hoberman and illustrations by Marylin Hafner, Little Brown and Company, 1991— This collection has 26 poems about different family relationships with illustrations that add to the fun.
- *Hold My Hand: Five Stories of Love and Family*, by Charlotte Zolotow and pictures by Carol Thompson, Hyperion Books for Children, 2003—This one has five sweet stories of family.
- *I Got a Family*, by Melrose Cooper and pictures by Dale Gottlieb, Henry Holt and Company, 1993—The rhyming verses in this brightly illustrated book show how a girl feels loved by various members of her family through the different things they do with her.

Here are some books on safety outside the home which are useful to review with your little one as he/she prepares to enter Kindergarten:

- *Percy Plays It Safe*, by Stuart J. Murphy, Charlesbridge, 2010 – Percy the giraffe learns how to be safe at the playground.
- *Play It Smart: Playground Safety*, by Jill Urban Donahue and illustrated by Bob Masheris, Picture Window Books, 2009—This book follows three friends as they go to the park and highlights different ways to play it smart/safe while at the playground.
- *Please Play Safe!: Penguin’s Guide to Playground Safety*, by Margery Cuyler and illustrated by Will Hillenbrand, Scholastic Press, 2006 – This book about animals