BOOKS TO READ ON HOOPLA:

- **Trains Go** by Steve Light
- **Freight Train** by Donald Crews
- **Steam Train, Dream Train** by Sherri Duskey Rinker
- **Night Train, Night Train** by Robert Burleigh
- **Pete the Cat's Train Trip** by James Dean

MORE BOOKS AT THE LIBRARY:

- **Two Little Trains** by Margaret Wise Brown
- **I Love Trains!** by Philemon Sturges
- **The Little Engine That Could** by Watty Piper
- **Locomotive** by Brian Floca
- **The Goodnight Train** by June Sobel
- **The Polar Express** by Chris Van Allsburg
- **Chugga-chugga Choo-choo** by Kevin Lewis

**EARLY LITERACY TIP**

Lots of shapes can be found when looking at pictures and illustrations of trains. Point them out to your child as you read, even if they are not standard shapes like circles, triangles, and squares. Shapes are the precursors to letters! By identifying them, you are getting them ready to read.
SongsTo And Rhymes:

Down By the Station Echo Song
Down by the station [Down by the station.]
Early in the morning [Early in the morning.]
See the little pufferbellies [See the little pufferbellies.]
All in a row [All in a row.]
See the station master [See the station master.]
Turn the little handle [Turn the little handle.]
Puff, puff, toot, toot [Puff, puff, toot, toot.]
Off we go! [Off we go!]

This is a Choo Choo Train
This is a choo choo train (squat)
Puffing down the track
(Child does actions that the rhyme states.)
Now it’s going forward, (go forward)
Now it’s going back. (go back)
Now the bell is ringing (pull rope with make believe bell)
What a lot of noise it makes
(Cover ears and make train noises.)
Everywhere it goes.
(Children move around the room at random.)

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