

Birth to
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CONVERSATIONS FROM BOOKS FOR PRESCHOOLERS

Directions: Identify novel words that children may not understand from children’s books you read aloud in the classroom. For each novel word, write a child-friendly definition that explains the meaning of the word. Remember that these definitions need to be simple and should not include any words that are unfamiliar to children.

Novel word	Child-friendly definition
Reef	A reef is under the water, it can be very sharp and very big. It is like a big rock with holes in it where different animals, like fish, can live.
Cookbook	A cookbook is a book you read. The words tell you how to make the food. In this story, the little boy is using the cookbook to read how to make bread.