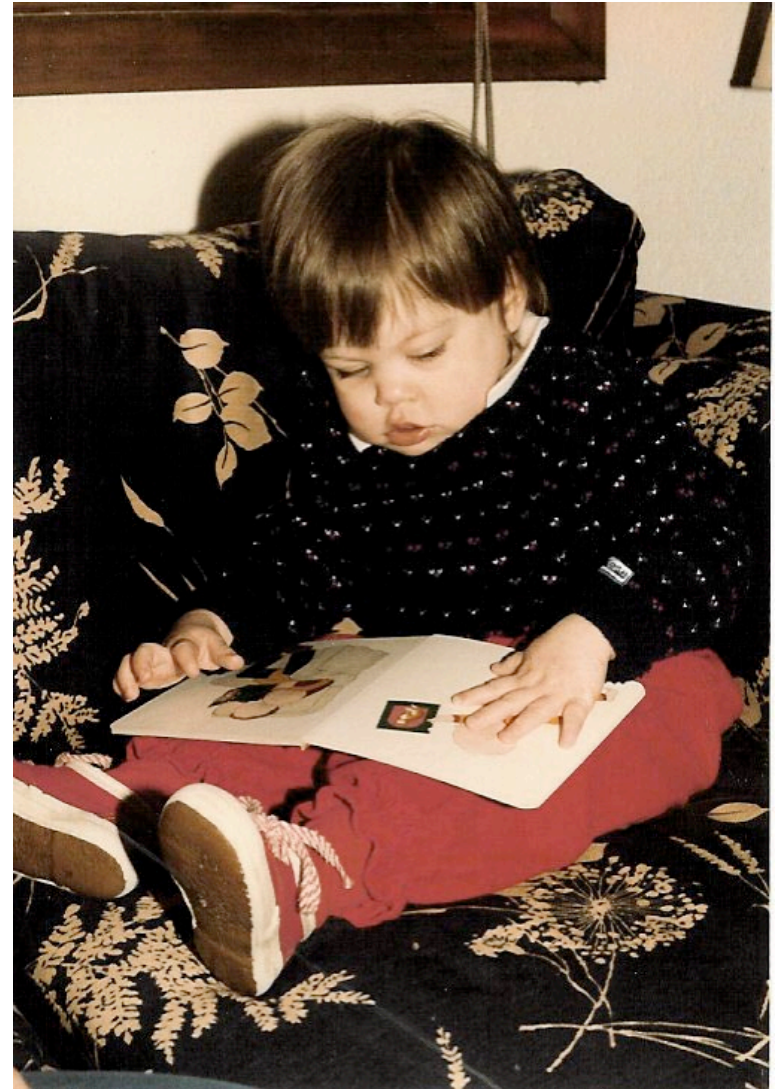


*Meghan Engaged in Literacy at
18 months of age*



Beliefs About Emerging Literacy

All children benefit and have the right to participate in reading, writing, speaking, and listening experiences.





Beliefs About Emerging Literacy Cont...

- Begins at home
- Includes reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills
- Is interrelated
- Is a gradual process
- Is developed through relevant experiences and within appropriate environments
- Needs to be modeled at home and school



Emerging Literacy Begins at Home

- Literacy is more than books
- Put books in children's hands early on
- Everything is purposeful
- Provide a print rich environment
- Demonstrate how printed words relate to daily life
- Value books within the home and classroom