

The Evolution of Content and Titles

The original title was "My Child's First Reading Book", because I wrote it, upon request from my daughter, "Dad I want to learn to read." So, it really was my child's first reading book! Credit inspiration from 2 preschool directors (my mom was one of them). In fact, it was my dear mother who suggested a title change. She saw it worked for more than just her granddaughter, when she started selling it at her preschool! So, I changed the title to "First Reading Book" (or "*Student's* First Reading Book").

After sometime, I decided to give them more help on the "whole language" type reading pages in Section 1. I included hyphenated 3-letter words on each reading page, in addition to the whole word. I also wanted to offer both types of reading pages, so I added a title, "The Phonics Reading Book" - since the reading pages had a more phonics oriented approach.

After moving to Florida, I worked with my church's Pre-K program and decided to work it back to include the alphabet, which was originally a pre-requisite. This gave rise to the book, "The Alphabet Book" - which includes pre-phonics lessons as well. Finally, I incorporated everything from the alphabet to phonics, under one title: "Alphabet to Phonics".

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