BabyRead Family Verification Intro for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Hi, I’m Jim Day, a volunteer with BabyRead. I’m following up on a BabyRead request you submitted through \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

I understand you are the caretaker for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?

Is this a good time to talk? And is this the best phone number?

Can you tell me briefly what you think the BabyRead program is?

What would you like to get out of the program?

What BabyRead does:

* Reader teaches caregivers the importance of reading to children 30 minutes a day from birth
  + Even if they cannot talk, their brain is being stimulated and they are learning
* Reader teaches caregivers how to read, sing, and do other activities with the child
* Provides a book at least monthly

COVID has caused BabyRead to change how it interacts with families – prior to COVID all meetings were in person typically at a library or school

You have two choices now:

* In person at a public library or an elementary school library
  + Typically twice a month for about an hour
  + An age-appropriate book is given to the caregiver every session
* More virtual
  + A book is handed out monthly at a convenient meeting spot
  + Follow up texts or phone calls are made weekly by the Reader to check on progress

We do have several readers available.

* Are you still interested?
  + What is the preferred time for the sessions – morning or afternoon?
  + Are there certain days that are more convenient than others?
  + Are you (caretaker) bi-lingual or do we need to arrange for a Spanish-speaking volunteer?
  + Where is the most convenient place to meet – one of the public libraries or an elementary school library?
* When can you start?