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Her research has been funded by the National Science Foundation, the National Institutes of Health, the Institute of Education Sciences, and the LEGO Foundation. In addition to over 150 journal publications and book chapters, she has authored 16 books and monographs. Passionate about the dissemination of psychological science for improving our schools and families' lives, she and Hirsh-Pasek (her long standing collaborator) also write books for parents and practitioners. *How Babies Talk* (1999); the award-winning *Einstein Never Used Flash Cards* (2004) and *A Mandate for Playful Learning in Preschool* (2009). Her latest book, *Becoming Brilliant: What Science Tells Us About Raising Successful Children* is with APA Press and reached the *New York Times* best seller list in 2016.

Dr. Golinkoff lectures internationally about language development, playful learning, and spatial development. She co-founded the Ultimate Block Party movement to celebrate the science of learning. The first event (2010) in Central Park in New York City attracted over 50,000 people ([www.UltimateBlockParty.org](http://www.UltimateBlockParty.org)); subsequent Block Parties were held in Baltimore, MD, Toronto, CA, and Norwalk CT. An installation to encourage parent-child interaction called Urban Thinkscape (<http://brook.gs/2hULI2b>) was launched in Philadelphia in June 2017. She has appeared on numerous radio and television shows and in print media and never turns down an opportunity to spread the findings of psychological science to the lay public.



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