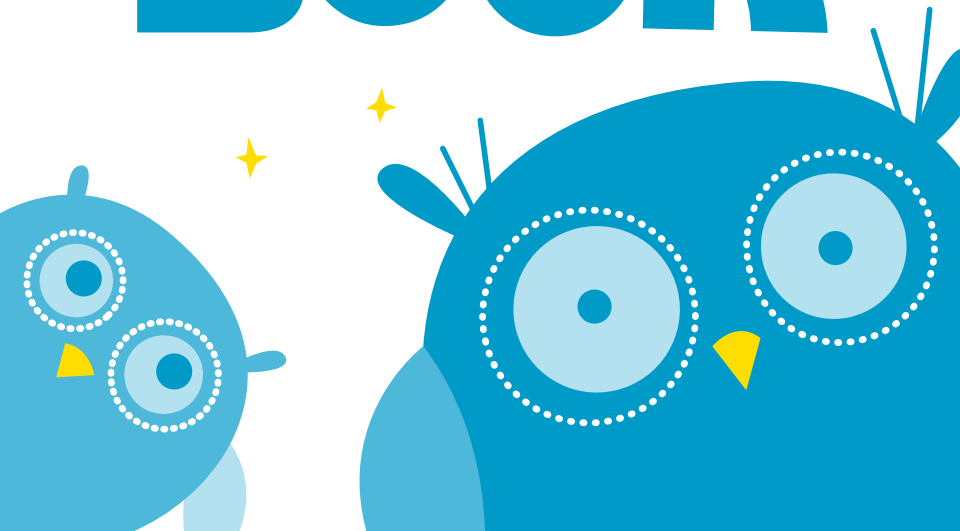


My Little

RHYME BOOK



I Love It When You...



Sing a song to me.
Chant a rhyme with me.
Share a book with me.

Sing, play, read with me on the bus, in the tub,
when I wake up, before I go to sleep,
anywhere and any time!



All About Me

My name is _____.

I am _____ years/months old.

My favorite song is _____.

My favorite book is _____.

I got my first library card when I was _____
years/months old.

This book was developed for children, parents,
and caregivers by librarians of the
San Francisco Public Library.



The Itsy Bitsy Spider

The Itsy Bitsy Spider
Climbed up the waterspout.

(move fingers up toward sky)

Down came the rain
(flutter fingers down)
And washed the spider out.

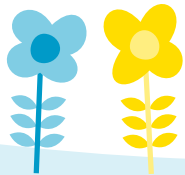
(drop hands quickly down and out)

Out came the sun
And dried up all the rain.

(circle arms over head)

And the Itsy Bitsy Spider
Climbed up the spout again.

(move fingers up toward sky)

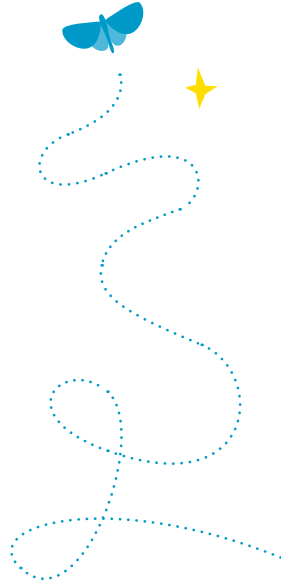
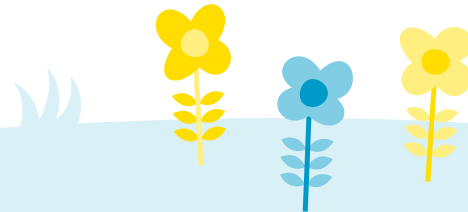


The Wheels on the Bus

The wheels on the bus go round and round
Round and round, round and round
The wheels on the bus go round and round
All over town.

Additional verses:

The people on the bus go up and down.
The doors on the bus go open and shut.
The horn on the bus goes beep, beep, beep.
The parents on the bus say, I love you.



Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes

Touch each body part as it is sung.

Head, shoulders, knees and toes

Knees and toes.

Head, shoulders, knees and toes

Knees and toes.

Eyes and ears and mouth and nose.

Head, shoulders, knees and toes

Knees and toes.



Round and Round the Garden

Round and round the garden (make a circle on child's palm)

Goes the teddy bear.

One step, two steps (walk fingers up child's arm)

Tickle you under there! (gently tickle under chin or arm)

Round and round the haystack (make a circle on child's other palm)

Goes the little mouse.

One step, two steps (walk fingers up child's arm)

Into his little house. (gently tickle child under arm)





If You're Happy and You Know It

If you're happy and you know it clap your hands
 If you're happy and you know it clap your hands
 If you're happy and you know it
 And you really want to show it
 If you're happy and you know it clap your hands.

Additional verses:

If you're happy and you know it stomp your feet.
 If you're happy and you know it wave "Hello."
 If you're happy and you know it wiggle your fingers.
 If you're happy and you know it shout "Hooray!"

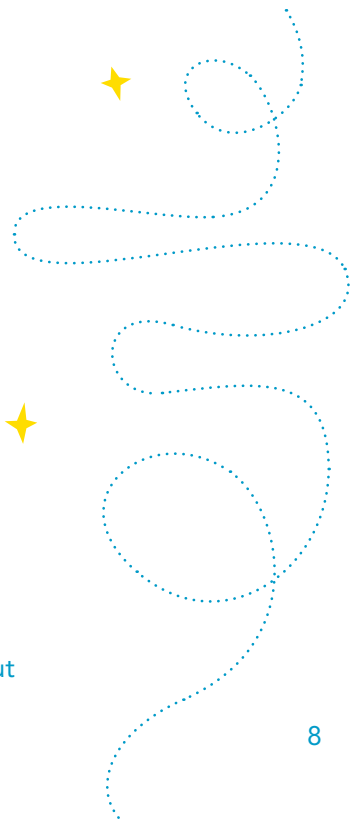
Choose your own body movements to do!

I'm a Little Teapot

Use arms to make teapot handle and spout.
Switch sides for second verse.

I'm a little teapot
 Short and stout.
 Here is my handle
 Here is my spout.
 When I get all steamed up
 Hear me shout
 Tip me over and pour me out!

I'm a clever teapot
 Yes, it's true.
 Here's an example of what I can do.
 I can change my handle, and my spout
 Tip me over and pour me out!

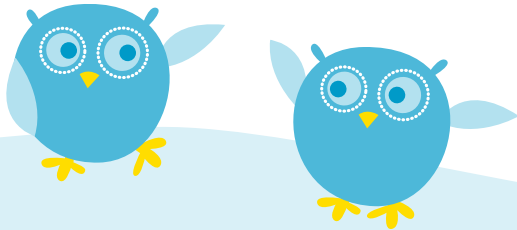


Jazzy Humpty Dumpty

Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall
Humpty Dumpty had a great fall.
(gently swing child in between legs)

All the king's horses and all the king's men
Couldn't put Humpty together again.

But Mommy/Daddy can!
(lift child up and give a big hug)



Five Little Monkeys

Five little monkeys jumping on the bed,
(five fingers jump on palm)
One fell off and bumped his head.
(bump palm on forehead)

Mama called the doctor and the doctor said,
(hold finger and thumb phone to ear)

"No more monkeys jumping on the bed!"
(shake index finger)

Repeat with four, three, two monkeys.

One little monkey jumping on the bed,
She fell off and bumped her head.
Mama called the doctor and the doctor said,
"Put those monkeys straight to bed!"





Mama's Little Baby

Dance along to the tune of "Shortenin' Bread"
and follow the directions in the words.

Mama's little baby loves dancin' dancin'
Mama's little baby loves turnin' around.

Mama's little baby loves dancin' dancin'
Mama's little baby's gonna boogie down.

Lean to the left, lean to the right
Now hug that baby nice and tight!

Sing again with "Papa's Little Baby."

Old McDonald Had a Farm



Clap along with the song.

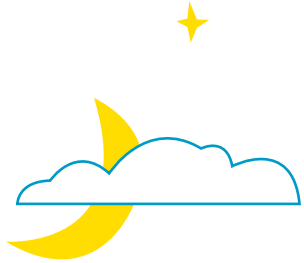
Old MacDonald had a farm, E-I-E-I-O
And on his farm he had a cow, E-I-E-I-O.

With a moo, moo here
And a moo, moo there
Here a moo, there a moo
Everywhere a moo, moo.

Old MacDonald had a farm, E-I-E-I-O.

Repeat with your favorite animals.





Open, Shut Them

Open, shut them, open, shut them

(open and close hands)

Give a little clap, clap, clap.

Open, shut them, open, shut them

Lay them in your lap, lap, lap.

(pat your thighs)

Creep them, crawl them

(walk fingers to chin)

Creep them, crawl them

Right up to your chin-ny, chin, chin.

Open up your mouth—but don't let them get in!

(hide hands behind back)

Optional:

Open, shut them, open, shut them

To your shoulders fly. (wiggle hands up and land on shoulders)

Then like little birdies—let them flutter in the sky

(wiggle hands up in the air)

Then they fall down to the ground

(drop hands down to the ground)

Lift them up and spin them round and round

(rotate hands together)

Faster, faster, then slower slower.

Open, shut them, open, shut them

Give a little clap, clap, clap.



Popcorn, Popcorn



Popcorn, popcorn pour it in a pan

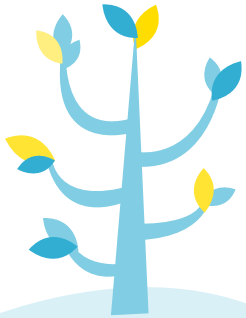
(tilt baby to the side)

Shake it up, shake it up

(jiggle baby gently)

BAM BAM BAM!

(bounce baby on lap on each BAM)



Pat-a-Cake

Pat-a-cake, pat-a-cake baker's man

(clap with the rhythm)

Bake me a cake as fast as you can.

Roll it and pat it

(roll and clap hands)

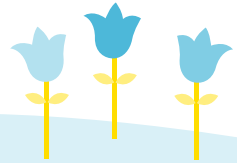
And mark it with a "B"

(draw letter "B" on child's tummy)

And put it in the oven

For baby and me.

(point to child and self)





One, Two, Buckle My Shoe

Mime actions in rhyme.

One, two, buckle my shoe
Three, four, knock at the door
Five, six, pick-up sticks
Seven, eight, lay them straight
Nine, ten, a big, fat hen.

Optional:

Eleven, twelve, dig and delve
Thirteen, fourteen, maids a-courting
Fifteen, sixteen, maids in the kitchen
Seventeen, eighteen, maids a-waiting
Nineteen, twenty, my plate's empty.

Two Little Blackbirds

Two little blackbirds sitting on a hill

(hold both index fingers up)

One named Jack, one named Jill.

Fly away Jack, fly away Jill

(hide both index fingers behind your back one at a time)

Come back Jack, come back Jill.

(bring both index fingers back one at a time)

Two little blackbirds sitting on a hill

One named Jack, one named Jill.



Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star

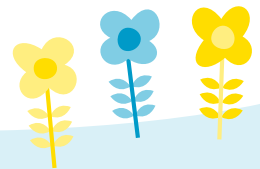
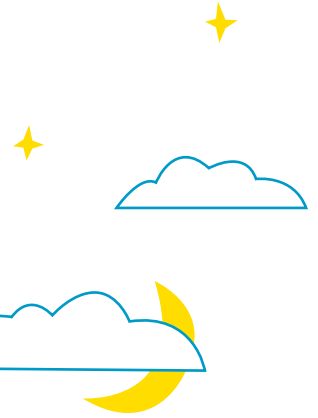
Twinkle, twinkle little star
(open and shut fingers)
How I wonder what you are.
Up above the world so high
(wiggle fingers higher up in air)
Like a diamond in the sky.
(make a diamond shape
with thumbs and index fingers)
Twinkle, twinkle little star
How I wonder what you are.



Star Light, Star Bright

Star light, star bright
First star I see tonight
I wish I may, I wish I might
Have the wish I wish tonight.

Make a wish on the first star you see
or on any bright light.



Noble Duke of York



March and move your body to the movements in rhyme.

Oh, the Noble Duke of York
He had ten thousand men
He marched them up to the top of the hill
And marched them down again.

And when you're UP, you're UP
And when you're DOWN, you're DOWN
And when you're only half-way up)
You're neither UP...nor DOWN.

For babies, move them up and down in your arms.

This Little Piggy

This little piggy went to market (wiggle child's big toe)
This little piggy stayed home (wiggle second toe)
This little piggy had roast beef (wiggle middle toe)
This little piggy had none (wiggle fourth toe)
And this little piggy cried (wiggle little toe)
Wee, wee, wee, all the way home.
(tickle child up leg to tummy, chin or underarm)

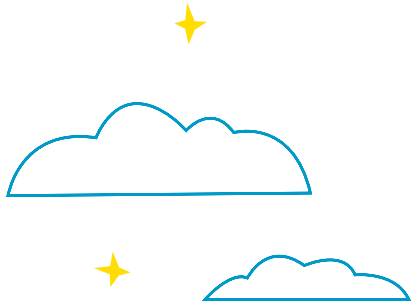


To Market, To Market

Bounce with the rhythm.

To market, to market
To buy a fat pig
Home again, home again
Jiggity-jig.

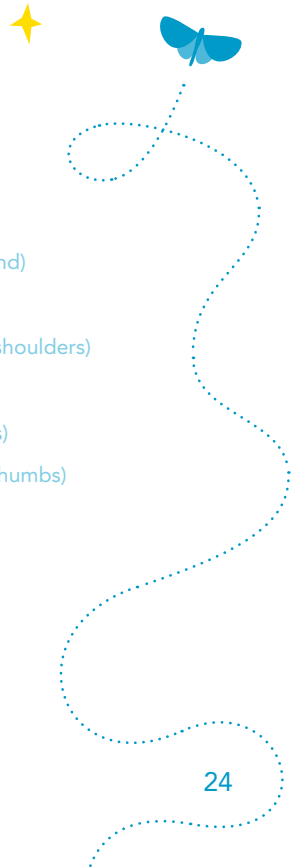
To market, to market
To buy a fat hog
Home again, home again
Jiggity-jog.



Tom Thumbs

Tom thumbs up (put both thumbs up)
Tom thumbs down (put both thumbs down)
Tom thumbs dancing
All around the town. (thumbs up, move them around)

Dance them on your shoulders (tap thumbs on shoulders)
Dance them on your head (tap thumbs on head)
Dance them on your knees (tap thumbs on knees)
And tuck them into bed. (cross arms and tuck in thumbs)



Hickory, Dickory Dock

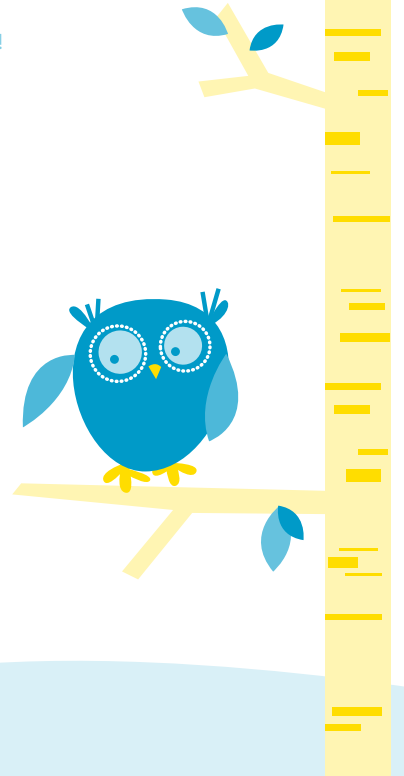
Hickory, dickory dock
The mouse ran up the clock.
(run fingers up arm to head)
The clock struck one
(clap once)
The mouse ran down.
(run fingers back down)
Hickory, dickory dock.

Have the clock strike 2, 3, and so on,
adding claps to match the hour.

You Are My Sunshine

Give your child a warm hug and sing along!

You are my sunshine
My only sunshine
You make me happy
When skies are gray
You'll never know dear
How much I love you
I love you more and more
every day!



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