# More Than <br>  



There are six pre-reading skills your child can start learning from birth.

Print Motivation (reading is fun) - being interested in and enjoying books.

Print Awareness (how books work) - noticing print, knowing how to handle a book and how to follow the words on a page.

Vocabulary - knowing the names of things.
Phonological Awareness (sounds of letters and words) being able to hear and play with the smaller sounds in words.

Narrative Skills (how to tell a story) - being able to describe things and events, and tell stories.

Letter Knowledge (what letters are) - knowing letters are different from each other, and have different names and sounds, and recognizing letters everywhere.




## I Bounce You Here

I bounce you here, I bounce you there, (bounce child on knees) I bounce you, bounce you, everywhere. I tickle you here, I tickle you there, (gently tickle child) I tickle you, tickle you, everywhere. I hug you here, I hug you there, (hug child) I hug you, hug you, everywhere!

## This is the Way the Baby Rides

This is the way the baby rides, The baby rides, the baby rides. This is the way the baby rides, So early in the morning.

This is the way the farmer rides...
This is the way the jockey rides...

## Bumpy Road

Smooth Road, Smooth Road.
Bumpy Road, Bumpy Road.
Rough Road, Rough Road.
Hole.

## Giddy Up Horsey

Giddy-up, giddy-up, giddy-up horsey.
Giddy-up, giddy-up, go, go, go.
Giddy-up, giddy-up, giddy-up horsey.
Giddy-up, giddy-up, Whoa!
(bounce child on knees)
(bounce child on knees - with each new verse bounce child faster)
(move child in circular motion on your lap) (bounce your child on your lap) (increase the height and speed of the bounce) (gently drop child between your legs)
(let child slip through knees)

## Did You Ever See a Baby

Did you ever see a baby, A baby, a baby? Did you ever see a baby, Go this way and that? Go this way and that way, And that way and this way. (have your child sitting on your lap) Did you ever see a baby, Go this way and that?
(rock from side to side)
(forward and back)
(side to side)
(forward and back)

## Shoe the Little Horse

Shoe the little horse,
Shoe the little mare, But let the little colt, Run free everywhere.
(pat child's left foot)
(pat child's right foot)
(bicycle child's feet around and around)

## I'm Bouncing

I'm bouncing, bouncing everywhere, (bounce child on knees) I bounce and bounce into the air. I'm bouncing, bouncing like a ball, I bounce and bounce, then down I fall. (let child slip through knees)

## Bumping Up \& Down

Bumping up and down in my little red wagon, (bounce child on knees) Bumping up and down in my little red wagon, Bumping up and down in my little red wagon, Won't you be my darling?

## Let's Go Riding in an Elevator

Let's go riding in an elevator.
Let's go riding in an elevator.
First floor,
Second floor,
Third floor,
Fourth floor,
Fifth floor,
Doooowwwwwnn!
(hold child in front of you on lap)
(at "first floor" start to lift child up rising up a little at each floor)
(by "fifth floor" child should be high, bring child quickly back to lap on "down")

## The Dog Went to Dover

Leg over leg, The dog went to Dover. When he came to a wall, Then he jumped right over.
(with your child on your lap hold on to the ankles and move the legs in rhythm with the rhyme)
(on the "jumped," lift up both legs together like you are making them jump over the wall)

## Trit, Trot

Trit, trot to Boston, Trit, trot to Lynn, Take care, Baby, Don't fall IN!
(bounce baby on your knees)
(substitute child's name for "Baby")
(on "IN," part knees and let baby slip through)



## Eye Winker

Eye winker,
Tom Tinker, Nose smeller, Mouth eater, Chin chopper, Chin chopper, Chin chopper, Chin chopper, chin.

## Two Little Eyes

Two little eyes to look around.
Two little ears to hear each sound.
One little nose to smell what's sweet.
One little mouth that likes to eat.
(point to eyes)
(point to ears)
(point to nose)
(point to mouth)
(tap chin)
(gently tickle under chin)
(point to child's features as mentioned)

## Hurry Scurry Little Mouse

Hurry scurry little mouse, Starts down at your toes.
Hurry scurry little mouse, Past your knees he goes.
Hurry scurry little mouse, Past where your tummy is. Hurry scurry little mouse, Gives you a mousy kiss.
(touch child's toes)
(touch child's knees)
(touch child's tummy)
(give child loud kiss)


## These are Baby's Fingers

These are baby's fingers, These are baby's toes, This is baby's belly button, Round and round it goes!
(touch child's fingers)
(touch child's toes)
(touch child's tummy)
(gently tickle child's tummy)

## Round and Round the Garden

Round and round the garden, Goes the teddy bear.
One step, two steps,
Tickle you under there.
Round and round the haystack, Goes the little mouse.
One step, two steps, Into his little house.
(make a circle in child's palm)
(fingers walk up child's arm)
(gently tickle child under arm)
(make a circle in child's other hand)
(fingers walk up child's arm)
(gently tickle child under arm)

## Let's Go to the Forest

Let's go to the forest.

What will we do there?
Find our mother.
What will we do with her?
Kiss her, kiss her, kiss her!
(point to Mother - could be mother, father or grandmother, etc.)
(give child kisses)

## Bumblebee

Bumblebee was in the barn
Carrying his dinner under his arm
Bzzzzzzzzzzzz2. ..zt!

(circle finger in the air)
(circle finger closer to child)
(gently poke child)

## Little Flea

Creeping, creeping, little flea, Up my leg and past my knee. To my tummy, on he goes, Past my chin and to my nose. Now he's creeping down my chin, To my tummy once again. Down my leg and past my knee, To my toe that little flea. GOTCHA!

## Knock on the Door

Knock on the door,
Peek in,
Unlock the latch,
Walk right in.
How do you do Mr. Chin, Chin, Chin?

## All I Want are Hugs

All I want are hugs from you, Hugs to last the whole day through. Hugs just make me feel so good, So hug me, hug me, hug me.
Give me lots of hugs today, Hugs to chase the blues away. Hugs to last the whole day through, Just hug me, hug me, hug me!
(creep fingers up child's body and down again)
(gently tickle baby's tummy on "GOTCHA"
and switch to other foot)
(knock on child's forehead)
(open child's eye wider)
(push tip of child's nose up)
(walk fingers into child's mouth)
(gently tickle child under chin)
(hold your little one in your arms and
give a gentle hug every time you say the word "hug")

## What Do I See?

What do I see? Baby's knee.
Tickly, tickly, tic, tac, tee.
One for a penny, two for a pound, Tickly, tickly, 'round and 'round.
(with one finger, draw a circle on baby's knee; at the end, gently tickle baby's knee)

## There Was a Little Mouse

There was a little mouse, Looking for his house.
Not here,
Not here,
But here, here, here!
(gently tickle child)
(gently tickle child)
(gently tickle child)
(gently tickle child)
(gently tickle tummy)
(flutter fingers above baby) (creep fingers from baby's toes to nose)
On his toes,
Right up to your
Nose, nose, nose.
(tap baby's nose three times)
(substitute other body parts for "nose")

## One, Two, Three

One, two, three,
Tickle your knee.
Four, five, six,
Pick up sticks.
Seven, eight, nine,
You're all mine!
(tap on baby's knee)
(gently tickle baby's knee)
(tap on baby's tummy)
(gently tickle baby's tummy)
(tap on baby's chin)
(hug baby)


## Eensy Weensy Spider

Eensy Weensy Spider
Climbed up the water spout.
Down came the rain
And washed that spider out!
Out came the sun
And dried up all the rain,
And Eensy Weensy Spider
Climbed up the spout again!
(crawl fingers upward)
(bring spread fingers downward)
(sweep hands to sides)
(arms make circle over head)
("Itsy Witsy Spider" - tiny voice; "Great Big Hairy Spider" - deep voice)


## Here are Grandma's Glasses

Here are Grandma's glasses.
Here is Grandma's cap.
This is how she folds her hands,
And puts them in her lap.
And here are Grandpa's glasses,
And here is Grandpa's hat,
And this is how he folds his arms -
Just like that!
(circle eyes with thumbs to fingers)
(hands on head)
(hands folded in lap)
(stretch fingers into bigger circles)
(hands make big hat)
(arms folded)
(nod head decisively)

## Where is Thumbkin?

Where is Thumbkin?
Where is Thumbkin?
Here I am!
Here I am!
How are you today, Sir?
Very well, I thank you!
Run away!
Run away!
(fist behind back)
(bring out one fist, thumb raised)
(bring out second fist, thumb raised)
(first thumb wiggles up and down)
(other thumb wiggles)
(first hand behind back)
(other hand behind back)
(repeat with each finger - Pointer, Tall Man, Ring Man, Little One)
Where is Family?
Where is Family?
Here we are!
Here we are!
(bring out first hand, fingers all wiggling)

How are you today, Friends?
Very well, we thank you!
Run away!
Run away!

## Five Fat Peas

Five fat peas
(make a fist)
In a pea pod pressed.
One grew, two grew,
So did all the rest.
(open fingers one by one)
They grew and grew,
And did not stop,
(wiggle fingers)
Until at last,
That pea pod popped!
(clap hands)

## Five Little Monkeys

Five little monkeys
Jumping on the bed -
One fell off,
And bumped his head!
Mama called the doctor
And the doctor said -
"No more monkeys
jumping on the bed!"
(Repeat: Four little monkeys...)
Mama called the doctor
And the doctor said -
"No more monkeys
jumping on the bed!"
(five fingers)
(rest elbow on other hand, jump arm up and down)
(hold up one finger, bring down as if falling)
(hand to head)
(hold phone to ear)
(shake finger in scolding motion)
(hold phone to ear)
(shrug)

## Five Little Ducks

Five little ducks went out to play, Over the hills and far away.
Mama Duck called them, "Quack, quack, quack," Four little ducks came running back.
(repeat with 4, 3, 2 little ducks going out)

One little duck went out to play, Over the hills and far away.

Mama Duck called them, "Quack, quack, quack," But no little ducks came running back.
Mama Duck called them, "QUACK, QUACK, QUACK!"
And five little ducks came running back!
(hold up five fingers)
(point off to side)
(hands make duck's bill)
(hold up four fingers)

## Fire Truck

Hurry, hurry,
(put hands up like they are on the steering wheel)
Drive the fire truck.
Hurry, hurry,
Drive the fire truck.
Hurry, hurry,
Drive the fire truck.
Ding, ding, ding, ding, ding! (pretend to ring bell)
Hurry, hurry,
Turn the corner.
(hands on steering wheel but lean into the corner)
Hurry, hurry,
Turn the corner.
Hurry, hurry,
Turn the corner.
Ding, ding, ding, ding, ding! (pretend to ring bell)
Repeat with:
Climb the ladder.
Spray the water.

## Ten Fluffy Chickens

Five eggs and five eggs,
That makes ten.
Sitting on top is the Mother Hen.
Crackle, crackle, crackle;
What do I see?
Ten fluffy chickens,
(hold up two hands)
(Fold one hand over the other)
(clap three times)

As yellow as can be.
(climb the ladder)
(spray the water)

## Elephant Song

One elephant went out to play,
Over the hills and far away.
She had such enormous fun,
That she called for another elephant to come.
"Oh Elephant!"...
(hold up one finger)
(wave finger like it is going over the hills)
(on "enormous" circle arms out and around)
(cup hands over mouth)
(call out and then pound the floor
for the running elephant sound)
(use two fingers...repeat above actions)

Two elephants went out to play, Over the hills and far away.
They had such enormous fun,
That they called for another elephant to come.
"Oh Elephant!"...
(Repeat with as many elephants (fingers) as you want)

## Open, Shut Them

Open, shut them, (using hands, suit actions to rhyme)
Open, shut them,
Give a little clap!
Open, shut them,
Open, shut them,
Hide behind your back!
Creep them, creep them,
Slowly upward, right up to your cheek.
Open wide your shiny eyes,
And through your fingers peek.
Open, shut them,
Open, shut them,
Give a little clap!
Open, shut them,
Open, shut them, Lay them in your lap.



## Tall as a Tree

Tall as a tree,
Wide as a house,
Thin as a pin,
Small as a mouse.
(stretch arms overhead)
(stretch arms out to sides)
(arms tight against sides)
(crouch)

## Jack in the Box

Jack in the box,
(crouch down)
Jack in the box,
Oh so still -
Won't you come out?
Won't you come out?
Won't you come out?
YES I WILL!
(shout and jump up)

## Hickory Dickory Dock

Hickory dickory dock, The mouse ran up the clock.
The clock struck one, The mouse ran down -

Hickory dickory dock!
Additional verses:
Clock struck two, the mouse said "Boo!"

Clock struck three, the mouse said "Whee!"

Clock struck four, the mouse said "No more!"
(clasped hands swing like clock pendulum)
(fingers on one hand run up arm, sit atop head)
(clap hands one time)
(hand runs down again)
(swing pendulum again)
(clap twice)
(clap three times) (clap four times)

## Head and Shoulders

Head and shoulders, knees and toes, knees and toes;
Head and shoulders, knees and toes, knees and toes;

Eyes and ears and mouth and nose;
Head and shoulders, knees and toes, Knees and toes!

## I'm a Little Teapot

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 can change my handle, I can change my spout -

Tip me over and pour me out!

## Tap and Clap

Two little feet go tap, tap, tap. Two little hands go clap, clap, clap. A quick little leap up from the chair, Two little arms reach high in the air. Two little feet go jump, jump, jump. Two little hands go thump, thump, thump. One little baby turns round and round. One little child sits quietly down.
(touch as named; sing once, then sing again more and more quickly until no one can keep up, or until you're all exhausted!)

## Johnny Pounds with One Hammer

Johnny pounds with one hammer,
One hammer, one hammer,
Johnny pounds with one hammer, Then he pounds with two.
(use both fists)

Johnny pounds with two hammers, Two hammers, two hammers, Johnny pounds with two hammers, Then he pounds with three.
(add stamping of one foot)

Johnny pounds with three hammers,
Three hammers, three hammers,
Johnny pounds with three hammers, Then he pounds with four.

Johnny pounds with four hammers, Four hammers, four hammers, Johnny pounds with four hammers, Then he pounds with five.
(add bobbing of head)

Johnny pounds with five hammers,
Five hammers, five hammers,
Johnny pounds with five hammers, Then he takes a rest!
(collapse)

## One Arm Goes Up

One arm goes up,
(sitting down, move arms and legs as the rhyme says)
One arm goes down.
One arm goes up and down.
Two arms go up,
Two arms go down.
Two arms go up and down.
One leg goes up,
One leg goes down.
One leg goes up and down.
Two legs go up,
Two legs go down.
Two legs go up and down.
Two arms and two legs go up,
Two arms and two legs go down.
Two arms and two legs go up and down.

## Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear

Teddy bear, teddy bear, turn around.
Teddy bear, teddy bear, touch the ground.
Teddy bear, teddy bear, tie your shoe.
Teddy bear, teddy bear, I love you!
Teddy bear, teddy bear, turn out the light.
Teddy bear, teddy bear, say "Good night!"
(start in standing position then turn around) (touch ground) (pretend to tie shoe) (give yourself a hug) (pretend to turn out light)
(blow kiss)


## First I Find a Foot

First I find a foot, and I hop, hop, hop.
(stand on one foot and hop)
Then when I get tired,
I stop, stop, stop.
(step on "stops")
Turn around and count to ten.
(turn around)
Then I find a foot, And I hop again. (hop on other foot)

## Way Up High in an Apple Tree

Way up high in
an apple tree, two little apples
smiled at me.
So I shook that tree as hard as I could, down came the apples ummm were they good!
(stretch arms up)
(make two fists)
(point to self)
(shake arms above your head)
(fingers wiggle down)
(rub tummy)



## Spanisfí

## Mi familia (My Family)

Este chiquito es mi hermanito.
Esta es mi mamá.
Este altito es mi papá.
Esta es me hermana.
(Levante su mano y comience con tocar su pulgar)
\{el dedo gordo\}, siga la rima usando cada dedo para los miembros de la familia.)
(Hold up your hand and start by touching your thumb, then go through the rhyme with each finger representing a family member.)

## Chocolaté (Hot Chocolate)

Uno...dos...tres...cho.
Uno...dos...tres...co.
Uno...dos...tres...la.
Uno...dos...tres...te. Bate, bate, chocolaté.
(Haga un puno con una mano y golpelo en la otra mano durante las primeras cuatro líneas)
(Después utilice el puno como cuchara y revuelva, revuelve, revuelva)
(Make fist with one hand and pound it into other hand repeat four times. Use fist as a spoon and stir, stir, stir.)

## Cinco Dedos (Five Fingers)

| Éste compró un huevito. | (mueva el dedo pequeño - move little finger) <br> Éste lo cocinó. |
| :--- | :--- |
| (mueva el dedo anular \{del anillo\} - move ring finger) |  |
| Éste le echó la sal. | (mueva el dedo del medio \{del corazón\} - move middle finger) <br> Éste probó un poquito. <br> Y éste pícaro, gordo gordito. <br> Se lo comió todito! |
| (mueva el dedo indexe - move pointer) <br> (mueva el dedo pulgar \{dedo gordo\} - move thumb) <br> (mene la mano y todos los dedos - wave hand and <br> move fingers) |  |

## La Araña Pequeñita (Itsy Bitsy Spider)

La araña pequeñita
Subió, subió y subió, Vino la lluvia
Y se la llevó.
Salió el sol.
Y todo lo secó
Y la araña pequeñita
Subió, subió y subió.

## Adiós Amigos (Good-bye Friends)

(sung to the tune of Frère Jacques)
Adiós amigos. Adiós amigos
Ya me voy. Ya me voy.
Me dió mucho gusto, Estar con ustedes, Adiós. Adiós.

## Cinco Pollitos (Five Little Chickens)

Cinco pollitos tiene mi tía
Uno le canta,
Otro le pía.
Y tres le tocan la sinfonía.
(Repite)
(levante la mano abierta - hold hand open)
(cierre el dedo pulgar - close the thumb)
(cierre el dedo indexe - close the pointer)
(cierre los otros tres dedos - close other three
fingers all at once)
(Repeat)

## La Hormiguita (The Ant)

Andaba una hormiguita

Juntando su leñita.
De pronto cayó una nievecita Y corrió rápido a su casita.
(camine dos dedos sobre la mano cerrada walk two fingers over clenched hand)
(la eluvia cae - rain fingers down)
(dos dedos corren asía la casa, debajo del brazo run two fingers quickly towards the little house, under the arm)

## Que Llueva (Bring the Rain)

Que Ilueva, que llueva, El quetzal está en la cueva.
Los pajaritos cantan, Las nubes se levantan. Que sí, que no, Que caiga un chaparrón.

## Las Hojas (The Leaves)

Las hojas se ven mecer,
Rojas, cafés, anaranjadas, y amarillas,
Girando, volando se ven caer,
Cayendo suavemente sobre las sillas.
(mueva la mano asía el frente y atrás - move hands back and forth)
(cuente sus dedos - count your fingers) (meje los dedos y ponga la mano abajo flutter fingers moving hands downward) (ponga su mano en la silla - put hands on chair)

## Una Boquita (A Little Mouth)

Yo tengo una boquita para comer, Yo tengo una naricita para oler.
Yo tengo dos ojitos para ver.
Yo tengo dos oídos para oír
Y yo tengo mi cabecita para pensar y dormir.
(señale a la boca - point to mouth)
(señale a la nariz - point to nose)
(señale a los ojos - point to eyes)
(señale a los olidos - point to ears)
(ponga su cabeza en sus anos como para dormir - rest head on hands, as if to sleep)

## Arre, Caballito (Hurry Along, Little Horse)

Rodilla ye enele suavemente
(Place your child on your knee and gently bounce)
Arre, caballito
Vamos a Belén,
Que mañana es fiesta
Y al otro también.
¡Arre, arre, arre
Que Ilegamos tarde!

## Russian

## Bliny (Pat-a-Cake)

Peki bliny rumianye, Rumianye, goriachie.
Peki bliny rumianye, Rumianye, goriachie.

## Other Rhymes

Ogurechik, ogurechik, Ne hodi na tot konechik. Tam myshka zhyviot, Tiebe, hvostik otgryziot.

Ladushk, ladushki, Pekla babushka oladushki. Maslom polivala, Detushkam davala. Dashe dua, Pashe dua, Vanie dua, Moroshi oladushki u lubimoi babushka.

Rano, rano po utru, Pastushok ru, ru, ru. A korovka usled emu, mu, mu, mu, da, mu, mu, mu.

Sidit belka na telezhke, Prodaiot ona oreshki. Lesichke sestrichki. Vorobiu, senichke. Mishe tolstolapomu, Zainke usatomu.

## English version:

They fried fresh pancakes
Fresh and hot.
They fried fresh pancakes
Fresh and hot.

Little cucumber, Do not go over there. There lives a mouse, Who will bite off your stem.

Puddy cake, puddy cake, The grandma was baking pancakes.
She was buttering them, She was giving them to the kids. She gave them to Daria, to Paul, to Vania, Dear granny has great pancakes.

Very early in the morning, A shepherd boy (makes noise) ru, ru, ru. And the cow adds to it moo, moo, moo, and moo, moo, moo.

There is a squirrel on the cart, She is selling the nuts.
To the sister vixen.
To the sparrow to the blue jay.
To the big-armed bear,
To the bunny with whiskers.

## Russian contimued

Zhily u babusi, Dua veselyh gusya
Odin deryi, drugoi belyi, Dua veselyh gusya

Once upon a time there lived with an old lady, Two happy ganders
One was grey, the other was white, Two happy ganders.

## Korean

## 산토끼 (Mountain Rabbit)

| 산토끼 토끼야 | (As you sing the verses, put both hands on your forehead, <br> one on each side, and jump 4 times like a rabbit; once with <br> hands toward left, once with hands toward right, once with <br> hands toward left and once with hands toward right) |
| :--- | :--- |
| 어디를 가느냐 | (March with both hands swinging as if you are going <br> somewhere in a hurry) |
| 깡충깡충 뛰면서 | (Repeat the jumping motions for 4 times as in the same way <br> from the first verse) |

어디를 가느냐 (March with both hands swinging)

## English version:

Mountain rabbit, mountain rabbit
Where are you headed to?
Jumping so fast in a hurry; jumping so fast in a hurry...
Where are you headed to?

## 짝짜꿍 (Clapping)

| 엄마 앞에서 짝자꿍 | (Put you left hand across to the right shoulder, then put your <br> right hand across to the left shoulder; then clap three times) <br> (Repeat) <br> 아빠 앞에서 짝자꿍 <br> 엄마 한숨을 잠자고 <br> (Put you left hand across to the right shoulder, then put your <br> right hand across to the left shoulder; then put hands together <br> and put them on the right cheek while the head is slightly bent <br> to the right) <br> (Put you left hand across to the right shoulder, then put your <br> right hand across to the left shoulder; then put both hands on <br> the forehead as if pulling on the skin to each side-left hand <br> to left and right hand to the right) <br> (Make a wide circle with two hands symbolizing sun; then <br> open both hands and put forward in front of you; then clap |
| :--- | :--- |
| 아빠 주름살 펴져라 |  |
| three times) |  |
| (Shake your head once to the right, once to the left in fast |  |
| 햇님 보면서 짝자꿍 |  |

## English version:

Clap your hands before mom
Clap our hands before dad
May mom take a short nap
May dad's winkles be gone
Clap our hands looking at the sun
Shaking our heads right to left, we clap our hands
They bring smiles to mom
They bring smiles to dad


