



## **Ms. Amy's Baby Storytime Resources for Parents**

Reading, singing songs and engaging your baby in fingerplays is a crucial part of early childhood development. At birth and beyond, babies are building verbal and visual skills and storytime with your child supports that early cognitive development. Here are some of the books and rhymes we've shared during baby storytime so you can enjoy them at home!

### **Books for Babies**

*Baby loves colors* by Dave Aikins

*Baby Loves Spring* by karen Katz

*Bedtime for chickies* by Janee Trasler

*A big hug for little cub* by Lorie Ann Grover

*Brown bear, brown bear, what do you see?* by Bill Martin

*Ducks quack* by Ron Maris

*Goose needs a hug* by Tad Hills

*Hello, baby* by Mem Fox

*How loud is a lion?* by Clare Beaton

*Kiss kiss, goodnight* by John Nesbitt

*Moo moo, Can you say it too?* by Sebastian Braun

*Old Macdonald had a farm* by Jan Cabrera

*Rain, rain go away* by Caroline Church

*Say hello like this* by Mary Murphy

*Sleep, baby, sleep* by Marianne Love

*Tap the magic tree* by Christie Matheson

*Who's Hiding in the garden?* by Christiane Gunzi

*Who's in the farmyard?* by Phillis Gershator

## Rhymes & Fingerplays for Babies

### Five Little Monkeys

Five little monkeys [Hold up five fingers.]

jumping on the bed. [Jump up and down.]

One fell off [Hold up one finger and then roll your hand down towards the floor.]

and bumped his head. [Tap your head with your fist.]

Mama called the doctor and the doctor said, [Put your pinky to your mouth and thumb to your ear like a telephone.]

"No more monkeys jumping on the bed!" [Put one hand on your hip and wag your index finger.]

### Hickory Dickory Dock

Hickory, Dickory, Dock (clap w/ each word) The mouse ran up the clock (L arm straight up & run

R fingers up L arm) The clock struck 1 (over head, clap hands together once loudly over head)

The mouse ran down (R fingers run down L arm while saying words) Hickory, Dickory, Dock

(clap w/ each word)

### Itsy-Bitsy Spider

The itsy-spider went up the waterspout, (walk your fingers up in the air)

down came the rain and washed the spider out. (wiggle your fingers downward to make the rain)

Out came the sun and dried up all the rain, (form a circle with your fingers above your head) and the itsy-bitsy spider went up the spout again.(walk your fingers up again).

### This Little Piggy

This little piggy went to the market (wiggle the big toe)

This little piggy stayed home (wiggle the next toe)

This little piggy had roast beef (wiggle the middle toe)

This little piggy had none (wiggle the next toe)

This little piggy went wee-wee-wee-wee all the way home! (Wiggle the baby toe and then tickle all the way up to the tummy!)

### Pat-a-cake

Pat-a-cake, pat-a-cake, baker's man, (clap your hands, then pat your legs alternately, baby can do the same)

Bake me a cake as fast as you can (clap your hands, then pat your legs alternately, baby can do the same)

Roll it, (roll your arms in a circle) and pat it, (pat your hands on your lap) and mark it with a B, (write a B in the air)

And put it in the oven for baby and me! (Make the motion of putting a cake in the oven)

### Twinkle Twinkle, Little Star

Twinkle, twinkle, little star,

(Hold hands above head and open and close fingers)

How I wonder what you are!

(Point to side of forehead)

Up above the world so high, (hold arms up high)

Like a diamond in the sky.

(Form diamond shape with thumb and pointer fingers of both hands, holding hands above head)

Twinkle, twinkle, little star,

How I wonder what you are!

(Repeat motions from first two lines)

### Where is thumbkin?

Where is Thumbkin? Where is Thumkin?

(Hide hands behind back)

Here I am! Here I am!

(Show L thumb, then R thumb)

How are you today, sir?

(Wiggle L thumb)

Very well, I thank you.

(Wiggle R thumb)

Run away, run away.

(Hide LH behind back, then RH)

Continue with pointer and pinky fingers.

### **Ms. Amy's Favorite Songs for Babies**

*Goodbye Song* on Songs for Wiggleworms

*Ladies Ride* on Wiggleworms Love You

*Little Red Wagon* on Wiggleworms Love You

*Moon, moon, moon* on The Best of the Laurie Berkner Band

*Row, row, row your boat* on Songs for Wiggleworms

*Skidamarink* on Wiggleworms Love You

*You are my sunshine* on Songs for Wiggleworms