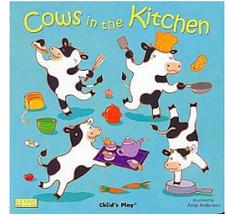




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presents:

Cows in the Kitchen by Child's Play



Cows in the Kitchen is a fun book to sing! This book can be sung to the tune of Skip to My Lou. This book is great for developing *phonological awareness*, the ability to hear and play with the smaller sounds in words.

Hearing and learning animal sounds help children hear different kinds of sounds. Having your child hear and make the sounds of animals is one enjoyable way to help develop phonological awareness.

Singing also helps develop phonological awareness, as singing naturally breaks words into smaller sounds or syllables. Once your child gets the rhythm of the book have them clap their hands three times when they hear the animal sounds. The movement helps your child feel the rhythm and enjoy the words in the song. Clapping also helps build your child's motor control.

Books about Farms!

The Runaway Tractor by Heather Amery

Big Red Barn by Margaret Wise Brown

Click, Clack, Moo by Doreen Cronin

Color Farm by Lois Ehlert

Punk Farm by Jarrett J. Krosoczka

The Farmer in the Dell by John O'Brien

Daddy Played Music for the Cow by Maryann Weidt

The Cows are in the Corn by James Young

Barnyard Dance by Sandra Boyton

Caillou on the Farm

Mrs. Wishy-Washy's Farm by Joy Cowley

Counting Farm by Kathy Henderson

When the Rooster Crowed by Patricia Lille

The Year at Maple Hill Farm by Alice Provensen

Raising Yoder's Barn by Jane Yolen

Farmer Duck by Martin Waddell

Extend the Book

- ◆ Have your child help you read the story. Ask her what animal is on the pages and then what noise the animal makes.
- ◆ Count the number of animals on each page.
- ◆ Ask your child what the animals are doing. Ask them why they might be doing that.
- ◆ Point out the pictures seen through the holes in the book. Ask your child what it is, and what the scene on the next page might be.
- ◆ Talk about what farmers do. Talk about the jobs the animals in the book perform in real life, ex. cows are milked by farmers.
- ◆ Ask what other animals you might see on a farm.
- ◆ Talk about zoos and the animals you see there. Talk about the sounds those animals make, and where you might find them in the wild.



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Here are some fun songs and rhymes about animals!

Five Little Ducks

Five little ducks
Went out one day
Over the hill and far away
Mother duck said
"Quack, quack, quack, quack."
But only four little ducks came back.

Repeat with 4, 3, 2, 1 till no ducks remain.

Sad mother duck
Went out one day
Over the hill and far away
The sad mother duck said
"Quack, quack, quack."
And all five little ducks came back.

B-I-N-G-O"

There was a farmer had a dog,
And Bingo was his name-O!
B-I-N-G-O, B-I-N-G-O, B-I-N-G-O
And Bingo was his name-O!



Mary Had a Little Lamb

Mary had a little lamb,
Little lamb, little lamb,
Mary had a little lamb,
Its fleece was white as snow

Everywhere that Mary went,
Mary went, Mary went,
Everywhere that Mary went
The lamb was sure to go

It followed her to school one day
School one day, school one day
It followed her to school one day
Which was against the rules.

It made the children laugh and play,
Laugh and play, laugh and play,
It made the children laugh and play
To see a lamb at school



Old MacDonald

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

Continue with pig, horse, dog, sheep, etc...
Ask your child what animals they want on their farm, and use those.

The Farmer in the Dell

The farmer in the dell
The farmer in the dell
Hi-ho, the derry-o
The farmer in the dell

The farmer takes a wife
The farmer takes a wife
Hi-ho, the derry-o
The farmer takes a wife

The wife takes a child
The wife takes a child
Hi-ho, the derry-o
The wife takes a child

The child takes a nurse
The child takes a nurse
Hi-ho, the derry-o
The child takes a nurse

The nurse takes a cow
The nurse takes a cow
Hi-ho, the derry-o
The nurse takes a cow

The cow takes a dog
The cow takes a dog
Hi-ho, the derry-o
The cow takes a dog

The dog takes a cat
The dog takes a cat
Hi-ho, the derry-o
The dog takes a cat

The cat takes a rat
The cat takes a rat
Hi-ho, the derry-o
The cat takes a rat

The rat takes the cheese
The rat takes the cheese
Hi-ho, the derry-o
The rat takes the cheese

The cheese stands alone
The cheese stands alone
Hi-ho, the derry-o
The cheese stands alone



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