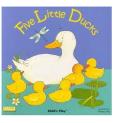
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presents:

<u>Five Little Ducks</u> by Child's Play



<u>Five Little Ducks</u> is a great song your child will love to sing again and again! This book is great for developing *phonological awareness*, the ability to hear and play with the smaller sounds in words.

Singing also helps develop phonological awareness as singing naturally breaks words into smaller sounds or syllables. The sense of rhythm obtained from listening to songs and rhymes will help your child to identify patterns, like rhyming words, which will help them learn to read. Because songs automatically break down words into smaller sounds through tones, singing with your child is one of the best ways to develop early literacy skills.

Books about Counting! <u>Over in the Ocean</u> by Marianne Berkes <u>Over in the Meadow</u> by Katharine Dana <u>Let's Count it Out, Jesse Bear</u> by Nancy Carlstrom <u>5 Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed</u> by Eileen Christelow <u>Olivia Counts</u> by Ian Falconer <u>Give the Dog a Bone</u> by Steven Kellogg <u>Just Enough Carrots</u> by Stuart Murphy

<u>Big Fat Hen</u> by Keith Baker <u>Ten in the Den</u> by John Butler <u>1, 2, 3 to the Zoo</u> by Eric Carle <u>Ants at the Picnic</u> by Michael Dahl <u>Duck & Goose 1, 2, 3</u> by Tad Hill <u>One Duck Stuck</u> by Phyllis Root <u>Mouse Count</u> by Ellen Walsh

Numbers & Counting

With this book (and any counting book) encourage your child to count with their fingers. Use your child's toys to help illustrate the numbers. If you are counting down, have five stuffed animals and take them away one by one until there are none left.

Read Nursery Rhymes are easy for children to memorize because they are made up of patterns. This use of patterns helps your child learn a simple math skill. A lot of nursery rhymes (like Big Fat Hen) include numbers and counting which are math skills.

Research has shown that children who enter kindergarten and can count with a good understanding of the connection between number words and their actual numerical value do better in mathematics. Studies have shown that children who could count to 20 in preschool had the highest math scores in 1st grade.

When you read a book with your child, count the number of ducks or butterflies on the page. Point to each one as you count it. At home, count how many apple slices or M&Ms your child has for a snack. Count steps as you go up or down them.





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Here are some fun songs and rhymes with numbers!

Ten in a Bed

There were ten in a bed and the little one said, "Roll over, roll over" So they all rolled over and one fell out.

Repeat till there is one left

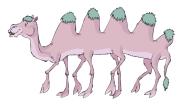
There was one in a bed and the little one said, "Good night!"



Sally The Camel Sally the camel has five humps. Sally the camel has five humps. Sally the camel has five humps. So ride, Alice, ride. Boom, boom, boom!

Count down to no humps

'Cause Sally is a horse, of course.



Baa Baa Black Sheep Baa, baa black sheep Have you any wool? Yes sir, yes sir Three bags full

One for my master One for my dame One for the little boy Who lives down the lane

Baa, baa black sheep Have you any wool? Yes sir, yes sir Three bags full!



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This Old Man Song This old man, he played one, He played knick-knack on my thumb; Knick-knack paddywhack, Give a dog a bone, This old man came rolling home.

Repeat with:

Two...shoe Three...knee Four...door Five...hive Six...sticks Seven...heaven Eight...gate Nine...spine Ten...once again

Big Fat Hen

One, two, Buckle my shoe;

Three, four, Shut the door;

Five, six, Pick-up sticks;

Seven, eight, Lay them straight:

Nine, ten, A big, fat hen;

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.





The Ants Go Marching

The ants go marching one by one, hurrah, hurrah The ants go marching one by one, hurrah, hurrah The ants go marching one by one, The little one stops to suck his thumb And they all go marching down to the ground, to get out of the rain. BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

Repeat with:

Two by two...The little one stops to tie his shoe Three by three...The little one stops to climb a tree Four by four...The little one stops to shut the door Five by five...The little one stops to take a dive Six by six...The little one stops to pick up sticks Seven by seven...The little one stops to go to heaven Eight by eight...The little one stops to shut the gate Nine by nine... The little one stops to scratch his spine Ten by ten...The little one stops to say "THE END"

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