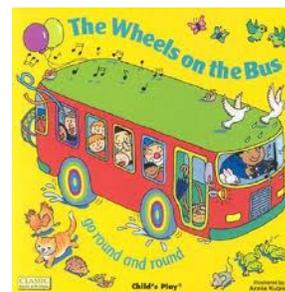




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presents:

The Wheels on the Bus by Child's Play



The Wheels on the Bus is a story you and your child may already know as a song. This version has colorful illustrations and cutouts to keep your child's attention.

Playing with the ideas that we find in a book will help make the story part of your child's life. By encouraging them to play along with the story, you are helping them incorporate the words, ideas, and energy of the story into their play. By making books and their stories fun, you are helping to motivate them to want more.

As you read this book, let your child feel the cutouts and turn the pages. The cutout on each page has to do with the new verse so your child can make connections between the vocabulary word and what it represents.

At the end of this story the bus arrives at a birthday party. You'll notice that each of the passengers who were seen getting on the bus throughout the story have a job to do at the party. The next time you read through the book, direct attention to the characters along the way. At the end of the story, see if your child can find all of the passengers at the party.

More Sing Along Books from Child's Play

[There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly](#)

[Itsy Bitsy Spider](#)

[Ten Little Monkeys](#)

[Ten Little Fingers](#)

[Down in the Jungle](#)

[Teddy Bear Teddy Bear](#)

[Head, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes](#)

[Baa Baa Black Sheep](#)

Role Play

Pretend play supports children's language and early literacy development. Acting out the story allows your child to develop higher-level thinking and language skills, use their imagination and practice problem solving and self-regulation. You don't need to entertain your child. Just provide the opportunity for play. Ask your child if they'd like to act out the story. If they say "yes," set up some chairs in a row to pretend they are a bus. If your child is stuck you can ask, "What happens next?" Your child might follow the story as you read it or throw in a twist, like the bus getting a flat tire. Let your child decide what happens.

The next time you drive somewhere with your child, sing the story in your car. You can stick to the original or adapt it to what you are doing in your car. "The turn signal in the car goes blink blink blink..."



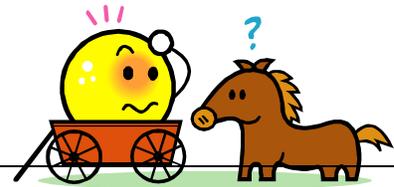
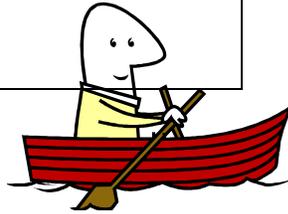
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More Travel Songs

Row, Row, Row Your Boat

Row, row, row your boat,
Gently down the stream.
Merrily, merrily, merrily, merrily,
Life is but a dream.



Wagon

Bumping up and down in my little red wagon
Bumping up and down in my little red wagon
Bumping up and down in my little red wagon
Let's ride off together!

Repeat using

- * My little brown donkey
- * My little black buggy
- * My little blue trolley
- * My little green airplane
- * My little white sailboat

Lonely Bus Driver

One lonely bus driver all alone and blue
He picked up a passenger and then there were two.

Two people riding, they stopped by a tree
They picked up a passenger, and then there were three.

Three people riding, they stopped by a store

They picked up a passenger, and then there were four.

Four people riding, happy and alive,

They picked up a passenger, and then there were five.

Five people riding, open swung the door

Four passengers got off the bus,

The driver's alone once more.



I'm a Little Airplane

tune of "I'm a Little Teapot"

I'm a little airplane, way up high,
(Hold hand up to forehead to shade eyes looking into the sky and point with other hand)

With my great big silver wings, watch me fly!
(Hold arms out like wings and tilt them side to side)

When the pilot tells me, I'll come down,
(Hold hands over both ears like you're holding the radio headphones (earmuffs) pilots wear)

Swooping and gliding, to the ground.
(Hold arms out like wings and spin in a circle, then kneel on the ground)



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