

Favorite Songs, Rhymes and Fingerplays for Storytime

Hello, Friends! (Tune: Goodnight, Ladies) or **Hello, Babies!**

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It's time for Storytime!

Hi, hello and how are you? (Tune: Skip to My Lou)

Hi, hello and how are you? X3

How are you today?

Open, Shut Them

Open, shut them

Open, shut them

Give a little clap, clap, clap

Open, Shut them

Open, shut them

Lay them in your lap, lap, lap.

Creep them, creep them, slowly creep them,

right up to your chin, chin, chin.

Open wide your little mouth...

...but do not let them in, in, in!

Zoom!

Zoom, zoom, zoom; we're going to the moon. (x2)

If you want to take a trip

Climb aboard my rocket ship.

5, 4, 3, 2, 1

Blast off!

(This is even more fun if you pretend to put on helmet, air hoses and seatbelt before you count down to blastoff!)

Roly Poly (Tune: Frere Jacques)

Roly Poly, Roly Poly

Up, up, up.

Up, up, up.

Roly, roly poly; Roly, roly, poly,

Up, up, up.

up, up, up.

(Repeat with opposite: down, in/out, fast/slow, round and round, etc)

This is Big

This is big, big, big (Hold hands palms together, then spread them wide apart)

This is small, small, small. (Bring palms together)

This is short, short, short. (Hold hands palms together, one on top)

This is tall, tall, tall. (Spread hands apart)

This is fast, fast, fast. (Roll hands quickly)

This is slow, slow, slow. (Roll hands slowly)

This is yes, yes, yes. (Nod head)

This is no, no, no! (Shake had no.)

Credit: Mel's desk

Rain on the Grass (with scarf or kleenex)

Rain on the grass, (Wave scarf on ground)

Rain on the trees, (Wave scarf in the air, overhead)

Rain on the roof, (Wave scarf on head)

But not on me! (Toss scarf)

Popcorn Kernels (with scarf)

Popcorn kernels, popcorn kernels (wave scarf)

In the pot, in the pot. (Squish scarf into closed palm)

Shake them, shake them, shake them, (shake closed hands hiding scarf)

Shake them, shake them, shake them.

Watch them pop! (Toss scarf)

I'm a Piece of Popcorn

I'm a piece of popcorn (wave scarf)

Put me in a pot. (Squish scarf into closed palm)

Shake me, shake me, (Shake closed hands)

Watch me pop! (Toss scarf)

Jack in the Box (with scarf)

Jack in the Box, (start with scarf hidden in clasped hands)

Sitting so still.

Will he come out?

Yes, he will! (Toss scarf)