

Dear Parents:

Today we used some of these books, fingerplays, and other materials in our toddler and preschool storytimes. Please continue helping your child develop a love for books and reading by sharing these rhymes, books, and other activities with your child.

Eggs



Books To Share

Green Eggs and Ham

by Dr. Seuss

The Golden Egg Book

by Margaret Wise Brown

Hedgie's Surprise

by Jan Brett

The Odd Egg

by Emily Gravett

Hank Finds an Egg

by Rebecca Dudley

Mister Seahorse

by Eric Carle

Whose Chick Are You?

by Nancy Tafuri

Horton Hatches the Egg

by Dr. Seuss

Hurry! Hurry!

by Eve Bunting

It's Quacking Time

by Martin Waddell

Big Fat Hen

by Keith Baker

Dragon Egg

by Mallory Loehr

Fun With Fingerplays and Songs

Hickety Pickety

Hickety Pickety, my black hen
She lays eggs for gentlemen;
Sometimes nine,
And sometimes ten,
Hickety Pickety, my black hen.

Ten Fluffy Chicks

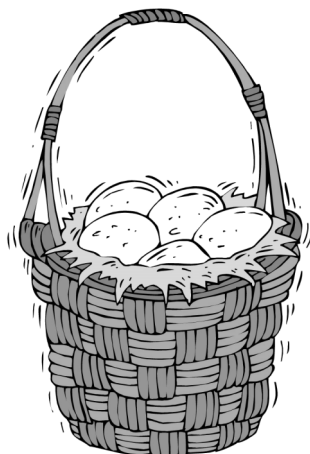
Five eggs and five eggs, that makes ten.
(Hold up both hands, fingers spread apart.)
Sitting on top is the Mother Hen.
(Fold one hand over the other.)
Crackle, crackle, crackle;
(Clap hands three times.)
What do I see?
Ten fluffy chicks,
(Hold up ten fingers again.)
As yellow as can be!

I'm a Little Chickie

(tune: "I'm a Little Teapot")
I'm a little chickie, (Crouch down inside your egg.)
Ready to hatch,
Pecking at my shell, (Make a pecking motion.)
Scratch, scratch, scratch! (Make a scratching motion.)
When I crack it open,
Out I'll jump (Jump out of shell.)
Fluff my feathers, Cheep! Cheep! Cheep!

Looking for Eggs

One egg, two eggs, three eggs, four -
Looks like I just found one more!
Five eggs in my basket, so beautiful to see;
Five eggs in my basket, count them now with me -
one...two...three...four...five!



Scrambled Eggs

(tune: "If You're Happy and You Know It")

If you like your eggs scrambled,

Clap your hands.

If you like your eggs scrambled,

Clap your hands.

If you like your eggs scrambled,

And it's your favorite way to make them,

If you like your eggs scrambled,

Clap your hands.

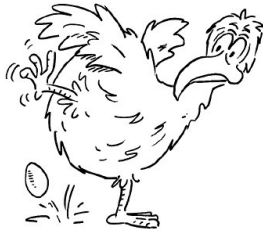
Additional verses:

If you like your eggs fried,

Touch your toes.

If you like your eggs hard-boiled,

Touch your head.



Five Humpty Dumpties

Five Humpty Dumpties, *(hold up five fingers)*

And not one more.

One dropped to the ground, *(bend down thumb)*

And that left four.

Four Humpty Dumpties,

Cute as they could be.

One did a flip-flop, *(bend down pointer finger)*

And that left three.

Three Humpty Dumpties,

Just a lonely few.

Down went another, *(bend down middle finger)*

And that left two.

Two Humpty Dumpties,

Basking in the sun.

One got baked, *(bend down ring finger)*

And that left one.

One Humpty Dumpty,

A real egghead hero.

He took a mighty fall, *(bend down little finger)*

And that left zero.

Humpty Dumpty

Hunpty Dumpty sat on a wall.

Humpty Dumpty had a great fall!

All the king's horses and all the king's men,

Couldn't put Humpty together again!

Other Fun Things

Egg Memory Game

Arrange several different colored eggs in an egg carton. Have your child look at the eggs in the carton, then close the carton. Can your child remember the order of the colored eggs?

Green Eggs and Ham Snack

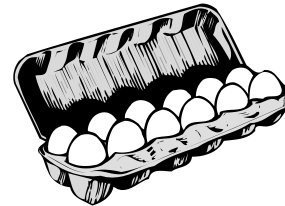
Use green food coloring to add some surprising color to your meal. Have green scrambled eggs and ham like in the Dr. Seuss classic story, *Green Eggs and Ham*.

Egg Hunt

Hide plastic eggs in the yard, living room, or other designated area and have an egg hunt. For variation, you can make the eggs a special type such as dinosaur eggs, bird eggs, lizard eggs, etc.

Egg Float or Sink

Put a hardboiled egg in water. What do you think will happen? Now add salt to the water. What do you think will happen?



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- Reading
- Writing
- Playing

If you would like more information, please ask the staff in the children's area.

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