

FINGER PLAY FUN

Songs and rhymes are a lot of fun. They're even better when they're paired with a dance. Practice the songs and poems below with your child in addition to the suggested movements. Once they've mastered the song/poem, ask them the provided questions to help build their literacy skills.

FIVE LITTLE SPECKLED FROGS

Five little speckled frogs,
(Hold up and bop five fingers)

Sat on a hollow log,
Eating some most delicious bugs,
(Pick off and eat bug)

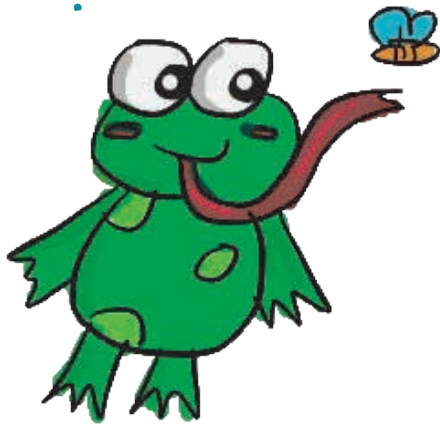
Yum, yum, yum. *(Rub tummy)*

One frog jumped in the pool,
(One finger motions hopping into pool)

Where it was nice and cool,
Now there are four green speckled frogs,
(Hold up four fingers)

Glub, Glub, Glub. *(Deep voice)*





Four little speckled frogs,
(Hold up and bop four fingers)
Sat on a hollow log,
Eating some most delicious bugs,
(Pick off and eat bug)
Yum, yum, yum. *(Rub tummy)*
One frog jumped in the pool,
(One finger motions hopping into pool)
Where it was nice and cool,
Now there are three green speckled frogs,
(Hold up three fingers)
Glub, Glub, Glub. *(Deep voice)*

Three little speckled frogs,
(Hold up and bop three fingers)
Sat on a hollow log,
Eating some most delicious bugs,
(Pick off and eat bug)
Yum, yum, yum. *(Rub tummy)*
One frog jumped in the pool,
(One finger motions hopping into pool)
Where it was nice and cool,
Now there are two green speckled frogs,
(Hold up two fingers)
Glub, Glub, Glub. *(Deep voice)*



Two little speckled frogs
(Hold up and bop two fingers)

Sat on a hollow log,
Eating some most delicious bugs,
(Pick off and eat bug)

Yum, yum, yum. *(Rub tummy)*

One frog jumped in the pool,
(One finger motions hopping into pool)

Where it was nice and cool.

Now there is one green speckled frog,
(Holds up one finger)

Glub, Glub, Glub. *(Deep voice)*

One little speckled frog
(Hold up and bop one finger)

Sat on a hollow log,
Eating some most delicious bugs,
(Pick off and eat bug)

Yum, yum, yum. *(Rub tummy)*

One frog jumped in the pool,
(One finger motions hopping into pool)

Where it was nice and cool.

Now there are no green speckled frogs,
(Holds out both empty hands)

Glub, Glub, Glub. *(Deep voice)*



BABY BUMBLE BEE

I'm bringing home a baby bumble bee.

(Pretend to cup a bee inside your hands, swinging it)

Won't my mommy be so proud of me!

I'm bringing home a baby bumble bee

OUCH! He stung me!

I'm squishing up the baby bumble bee.

(Press and rub your hands together)

Won't my mommy be so proud of me!

I'm squishing up the baby bumble bee.

Ooooo! He's all over me!

I'm wiping off the baby bumble bee.

(Wipe your hands off on the sides of your legs)

Won't my mommy be so proud of me!

I'm wiping off the baby bumble bee

LOOK! He's all gone!



QUESTIONS TO ASK ONCE YOUR CHILD IS FAMILIAR WITH THE SONGS:

How many words are there in the first line of the poem?

Tell me some rhyming words that you hear.

Where are the rhyming words located in each line of the poem?

Which words have the same beginning sound?