



Action songs



Language Activity:

- Sing favourite songs over and over again. Repetition helps your child understand the words more easily.
- Encourage your child to watch and copy your actions during the song.
- Miss out a key word/ action in a familiar song and pause expectantly e.g. "Twinkle twinkle little"

Speech Activity:

- Practice playful sounds as you sing 'Wheels on the bus' e.g. "the wipers on the bus go **swish**..... "the mummy on the bus go **sh sh sh**..."the sheep on the bus go **baa baa baa**".
- Use a familiar tune to practice target sounds e.g. "this is the way we **pop** the balloon, **pop** the balloon..."

Songs and Communication

- Have an object or picture to represent favourite songs e.g. a toy cow for 'Old McDonald'. Can your child point/ look to or give you the picture to request?
- Use action songs to help your child understand routines e.g. have a song you sing for tidy up time, bath time.
- Be really silly, change words, make big actions and enjoy the reactions.

Vocabulary:

Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes

Target: Different body parts

Here we go round the mulberry bush (target action words)

"this is the way we **brush** our teeth....."
"**clap** our hands", "**jump** so high".

Row your boat

Target different animals e.g. "if you see a **lion** don't forget to roar", "if you see a **giraffe** don't forget to laugh"