



## Books

If You're Happy and You Know It—Jungle Edition  
*James Warhola*

Dancing Feet  
*Lindsey Craig*

Oh No!  
*Candace Fleming*

Two Little Monkeys  
*Mem Fox*

Giraffes Can't Dance  
*Giles Andreae*

Touch and Feel Jungle Animals  
*Dorling Kindersly*

Jungle Animals  
*David West*

## Toys

Monkey Puppet

## Fingerplay

### Five little Monkeys

Five little monkeys sitting in a tree,  
Teasing Mr. Crocodile: "You can't catch me!"

Along comes Mr. Crocodile  
As quiet as can be and...**SNAP!**

Four little monkeys sitting in a tree...

Three little monkeys sitting in a tree...

Two little monkeys sitting in a tree...

One little monkey sitting in a tree,  
Teasing Mr. Crocodile: "You can't catch me!"

Along comes Mr. Crocodile  
As quiet as can be and...**SNAP!**

And away swims Mr. Crocodile as full as he can be!

## Action Rhyme

### I'm a Giraffe

I'm a big tall giraffe stretching way up high (*reach arms up*)

A big tall giraffe, I almost reach the sky (*stand on tiptoes*)

I eat the leaves from the tallest tress (*pretend to eat*)

And when I run, I move with ease (*pretend to run*)

I'm a big tall giraffe stretching way up high (*reach arms up*)

Way...up...high! (*reach on tiptoes*)

### My Little Elephant

(*use extended arm to match motions to words*)

My little elephant swings his trunk,  
Looking for peanuts to eat for lunch.

Swings it up and swings it down,  
Lefty side, right side,  
Round and round.

### Monkey See, Monkey Do

The monkey stomp, stomps, stomps his feet.

The monkey stomp, stomps, stomps his feet.

Monkey see, monkey do.

The monkey does the same as you!

The monkey claps, claps, claps his hands.

The monkey claps, claps, claps his hands.

Monkey see, monkey do.

The monkey does the same as you!

The monkey covers, covers, covers his eyes.

The monkey covers, covers, covers his eyes.

Monkey see, monkey do.

The monkey does the same as you!

The monkey jumps, jumps, jumps up and down

The monkey jumps, jumps, jumps up and down

Monkey see, monkey do

The monkey does the same as you!

*Add additional verses (sits down, stands up, turns around, etc.)*

## Songs

### Down In The Jungle (chant)

*Begin by having children slap their hands on their knees and then clap them together to set the rhythm of the chant.*

Down in the jungle with the beat in your feet, think of an animal that you'd like to meet.

That you'd like to meet, \_\_\_\_\_!  
(Call out a child's name and have them name a jungle animal)

A (Monkey), A (Monkey) She wants to see a (Monkey)!

*Then ask the children to imitate a monkey. Keep repeating and naming different animals for the children to imitate, and don't forget the growls, screeches, and roars! This is also great for large motor indoors on rainy days.*

### I'm A Little Monkey (to the tune of "I'm a Little Teapot")

I'm a little monkey in the tree,  
Swinging by my tail so merrily.  
I can leap and fly from tree to tree,  
have lots of fun you see.  
I'm a little monkey watch me play,  
Munching on bananas every day.  
Lots of monkey friends to play with me,  
We have fun up in the tree.

### The Animals In The Jungle Say...

*(to the tune of "Wheels on the Bus")*

The parrots in the jungle say  
squawk, squawk, squawk,  
squawk, squawk, squawk,  
squawk, squawk, squawk,  
The parrots in the jungle say  
squawk, squawk, squawk, all day long.

The monkeys in the jungle say  
ooh, ooh, ooh, all day long.  
The monkeys in the jungle say  
ooh, ooh, ooh, ooh, ooh, ooh,  
ooh, ooh, ooh,  
The monkeys in the jungle say  
ooh, ooh, ooh, all day long.

The tigers in the jungle say  
grrr, grrr, grr, grrr, grrr, grr,  
grrr, grrr, grr,  
The tigers in the jungle say  
grrr, grrr, grr, all day long.

### I Went to the Jungle One Day

*Sung to the tune of : London Bridge*

I went to the jungle one day,  
jungle one day, jungle one day.  
I saw a lion on the way  
And this is what he said,  
"ROAR!"

*(Other animals: snake, monkey, elephant, frog, etc.)*

Source: [Perry Public Library](http://Perry Public Library)

## Activities & Crafts

### Animal Walk

Ask each child to think of a jungle animal to imitate. Then, have the children (animals) line up and pretend to walk through a jungle like their animal would walk.

*Suggestions:* Prowl like a panther or leopard, swing walk like an elephant, hop like a frog, crawl like a turtle; swing arms like a monkey, lumber like a hippopotamus, flap wings like a toucan, etc.

### Early Literacy Take-Home

You can help your child build their letter and number recognition skills by pointing out numbers and letters in your everyday environment (on boxes, clocks, clothes, etc.) and discussing what the number or letter is, counting to that number, and sounding out the letter. Letter and number recognition are essential early literacy skills.

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