

Books

If You're A Monster & You Know It Ed Emberley

Bedtime At The Swamp Kristyn Crow

Leonardo the Terrible Monster Mo Willems

Ed Emberley's Drawing Book of Weirdos Ed Emberley

The Gruffalo Julia Donaldson

Go To Bed Monster Natasha Wing

Another monster at the end of this book Jon Stone

Beware of the frog William Bee

Puppet

Monster Puppet

CD

Dancing' With Mr. Bones *Marcia Louis*

Fingerplays

Ten Little Monsters

One little, two little, three little monsters Four little, five little, six little, monsters Seven little, eight little, nine little, monsters

Ten monsters can't scare me.

Ten little, nine little, eight little monsters Seven little, six little, five little monsters Four little, three little, two little monsters One monster can't scare me.

Source: Perry Public Library

Five Little Monsters Jumping on the Bed

Five little monsters jumping on the bed One fell off and bumped his head Mommy called the doctor and the doctor said, "No more monsters jumping on the bed!" *Source: <u>Storytime Katie</u>*

Action Rhymes

Monster, Monster (Tune: Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear)

Monster, monster, turn around Monster, monster, touch the ground. Monster, monster, reach up high Monster, monster, squint your eyes. Monster, monster show your teeth. Monster, monster, stamp your feet.

Monsters Galore

Monsters galore, can you roar? (*roar*) Monsters galore, can you soar? (*fly*) Monsters galore, please shut the door. (*clap*) Monsters galore, fall on the floor! (*sit/fall down*)

Source: SurLaLune Storytime

Crazy Clap

A crazy clap (*clap crazily*) A lazy clap (*clap very slowly*) Clap like a duck (*clap like a duck*) A MONSTER clap (*make a giant clap*) A CROCODILE clap (*clap your hands like a croc*) A fairy clap for luck (*do a golf clap*)

Monster Hokey Pokey

You put your claws in, you take your claws out. You put your claws in, and you shake them all about. You do the wild rumpus and you turn yourself around. That's what it's all about! (continue with horns, tail, big foot, and hairy self)

Source: Perry Public Library







Songs

Monster Hunt

(Tune: "We're Going on A Bear Hunt")

We're going on a monster hunt (point to self) We're going to find a big one! (raise hand above head) We're not scared, but -(shake head) What if he's under the bed? (peek under bed) Better go over it, sqoosh, sqoosh, sqoosh (clasp palms together) What if he's in the closet? (Pretend to open door) Better close it, slam, slam, slam. (Clap hands together) What if he's behind the curtains? (pretend to peek behind curtains) Better open them, swish, swish, swish. (Rub palms together) What is he's in the hallway? (Point somewhere) Better tiptoe down it, tiptoe, tiptoe. (Perform this action) What if he's in the garage? (Point another direction) Better stomp through it, stomp, stomp, stomp, stomp (perform this action) Aaah! It's a monster! (scream loudly) Stomp through the garage, (*Perform*

following actions as above) Walk through the hallway, Close the curtains, Open the closet, Jump into bed, and turn out the lights! Click! (Jump, snap fingers)

Source: Perry Public Library

Science & Math

Monster Math

Create a math monster using a cardboard box.

Cut a mouth in the side of the box and write or create numbers on index cards or felt.

Gather a pile of objects (Styrofoam peanuts, buttons, pieces of paper).

Have child take a number and practice counting by "feeding" the monster the corresponding number of items.

Source: Perpetual Preschool

Art Project

Try making a monster stuffed animal with your child using felt, glue, thread and needle. There are many, many patterns online using all kinds of supplies. Reinforce how important reading is by pointing out the directions in the pattern.



Early Literacy Take Home:

Counting helps a child get ready to read by reinforcing the idea of sequences and patterns. Decoding words relies on a child's ability to identify and understand patterns.

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