

## **Books**

Handa's Hen by Eileen Browne

Peep and Egg by Laura Gehl

Chickens to the Rescue by John Himmelman

*P. Zonka Lays* by Christopher Englert

One Hen
by Katie Smith Milway

Chicken Storytime by Sandy Asher

Hens for Friends by Sandy De Lisle

Mrs. Chicken and the Hungry Crocodile by Won-Ldy Paye

*Mr. Watson's Chicken* Jarrett Dapier

# Toy

Chicken puppet

# **Action Song**

## Here's a Little Egg

Here's a little egg, so smooth and white (sit, head down, arms in lap)

Peck, peck, peck, there's something inside! (peck with "beak")

Peck, peck, peck, here comes a little beak (move head on each peck)

Peck, peck, peck here come two little feet (extend feet)

Peck, peck, peck, and peck some more (straighten body and stretch arms on each word)

Peck, peck, peck CRACK!

Out pops the baby chicken! (stand up, arms above head)

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# **Shaker Egg Song**

(tune: Skip to my Lou)

Oh, I know a chicken and she laid an egg

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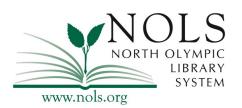
Oh my goodness, it's a shaky egg! Shake your eggs like this! Fast! (slow, in a circle, etc.)

From: Miss Sarah's Storytime

## **Early Literacy Take Home**

Reading a variety of stories about animals helps children explore new experiences and vocabulary that will be used in reading and writing later on. Explore stories about all kinds of animals and see what kinds of new facts you can learn together.







# **Fingerplays**

## Ten Fluffy Chicks

Five eggs and five eggs
That makes ten
Sitting on top is Mother Hen
Cackle, cackle, cackle
What do I see?
Ten fluffy chicks
As soft as can be.

From: Mel's Desk

### Higgledy, Piggledy

Higgledy, piggledy, my black hen.
[Hold up right fist]
She lays eggs for gentlemen;
[Left hand, fingers extended, bow them forward]
Sometimes nine,
[Hold up 9 fingers]
And sometimes ten,
[Hold up 10 fingers]
Higgledy, piggledy, my black hen.

[Hold up right fist]

From: Traditional

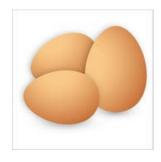


#### **This Little Chick**

This little chick got into the barn
This little chick ate all the corn
This little chick said he wasn't well
This little chick said, "I'm gonna tell"
But this little chick said, "Peep, peep,
peep,"

"Please be quiet, I'm trying to sleep!"

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## **Five Hungry Chickens**

Said the first little chicken, with a quick little squirm,

"I wish I could find a fat little worm." Said the next little chicken, with an odd little shrug,

"I wish I could find a fat little slug." Said the third little chicken, with a sharp little squeal,

"I wish I could find some nice yellow meal."

Said the fourth little chicken, with a small sigh of grief,

"I wish I could find a little green leaf." Said the fifth little chicken, with a faint little moan,

"I wish I could find a wee gravel stone."

"Now see here," said the mother, from the garden patch,

"If you want any breakfast, just come here and scratch!"

From: Johnson County Library

### **STEM Extension**

#### Where is the little chick?

#### Materials needed:

Plastic eggs that open Yellow pom-pom ball(s) Egg carton, optional

#### How To:

Hide the yellow "chick" inside one of the plastic eggs and ask your child where the chick is hiding. Play and learn as many times as you'd like. If using multiple "chicks," in different colors, practice counting and sorting as well.

From: Storytimes and More

#### Make a bird's nest

#### Materials needed:

- Small disposable bowl
- Variety of loose materials for "nesting" (shredded paper, grass blades, straw, yarn, etc...)
- Glue
- Small plastic eggs, if desired

#### How To:

- Spread glue around the inside of the bowl
- Distribute loose filling around the edges and press into the glue
- Top the nest with the plastic eggs

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