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## Stories

**Bears on Chairs** 

by Shirley Parenteau

**Peck Peck Peck** 

by Lucy Cousins

**Rhyming Dust Bunnies** 

by Jan Thomas

Monkey and Duck Quack Up!

by Jennifer Hamburg

# Rhyme Time!

## **Activities**

#### The Itsy Bitsy Spider

The itsy, bitsy spider crawled up the water spout.

(crawl fingers upward)

Down came the rain

(bring spread fingers downward)

And washed that spider out! (sweep hands to sides)

Out came the sun (arms make circle over head)

And dried up all the rain,

And the itsy, bitsy spider crawled up the spout again!

(repeat climbing motion)



#### Jack in the Box

Jack in the box, (crouch down)

Sitting so still -

Won't you come out?

YES I WILL!

(shout and jump up)

# Early Literacy Tip

Play a rhyming game of 'I Spy' with your child -- 'I spy something that rhymes with clock.' Play rhyming games while you are walking or waiting in line or just anywhere. These games are a fun way of helping children understand that words are made up of parts which helps them in sounding out words.



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