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## **Stories**

Tiki Tiki Tembo by Arlene Mosel Anansi and the Talking Melon by Eric Kimmel Smelly Socks by Robert Munsch Dirt Boy by Erik Ion Slangerup

by Erik Jon Slangerup Isty Mitsy Runs Away by Elanna Allen

**Oh No, George!** by Chris Haughton



# TROUBLEMAKERS!



# Activities

#### Elephants in the Bathtub

One elephant in the bathtub Going for a swim (mime swimming) Knock, knock (clap twice) Splash, splash (slap knees twice) Come on in! (motion with both hands to come in)

(Repeat to five)

Five elephants in the bathtub Going for a swim (mime swimming) Knock, knock (clap hands twice) Splash, splash (slap knees twice) They all fell in! (Fall over)

## Early Literacy Tip

The language of nursery rhymes and books is different from the language of conversation. Rhymes and books often have one or two unusual words, ones that children don't hear in regular conversation. Having a large vocabulary helps children understand what they hear and what they will later read. Remember, don't replace those unfamiliar words; explain them.



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