



## Songs

Sing songs with your child. Including any songs in your first language if it isn't English. Support them in recognising the rhythm of the songs, by stamping or clapping to the beat.

## Rhymes

Rhymes are an invaluable tool for teaching your child rhythm and rhyme. Being able to identify these are a precursor to reading and eventually spelling words. Action rhymes in particular, make this learning fun and engaging for them.



## Number Rhymes

Make sure to include number rhymes in your repertoire. Counting up and down whilst using their fingers to add to this learning. E.g. 5 Little Ducks, 5 Little Speckled Frogs, 5 Fat Sausages etc.

## Adding Instruments

Why not make instruments to accompany your singing - make a drum from a pan and wooden spoon, shakers from empty plastic containers filled with dried peas or beans, cymbals from pan lids and a microphone from rolled up paper or the tube from inside a kitchen roll. Make streamers from strips of plastic or paper, tie them to a stick or clothes' peg and watch what happens when you run or dance with them out of doors.

