Jungle Fun Songs, Poems and Fingerplays



I'm A Lion

(Sung to: "Three Blind Mice")

I'm a lion, I'm a lion.
Hear me roar, hear me roar.
I love to sleep out in the sun.
And chase other animals just for fun.
In all the jungle I'm Number One, I'm a lion.



I'm a Little Monkey (Sung to: "I'm a Little Teapot")

I'm a little monkey in the tree, Swinging by my tail so merrily. I can leap and fly from tree to tree. I have lots of fun you shall see.

I'm a little monkey watch me play.

Munching on bananas every day.

Lots of monkey friends to play with me.

We have fun up in the tree.





Five Little Monkeys

Five little monkeys swinging in a tree, Teasing Mr. Crocodile, "You can't catch me!" Along came Mr. Crocodile as quiet as can be...... And snapped that monkey right out of that tree!

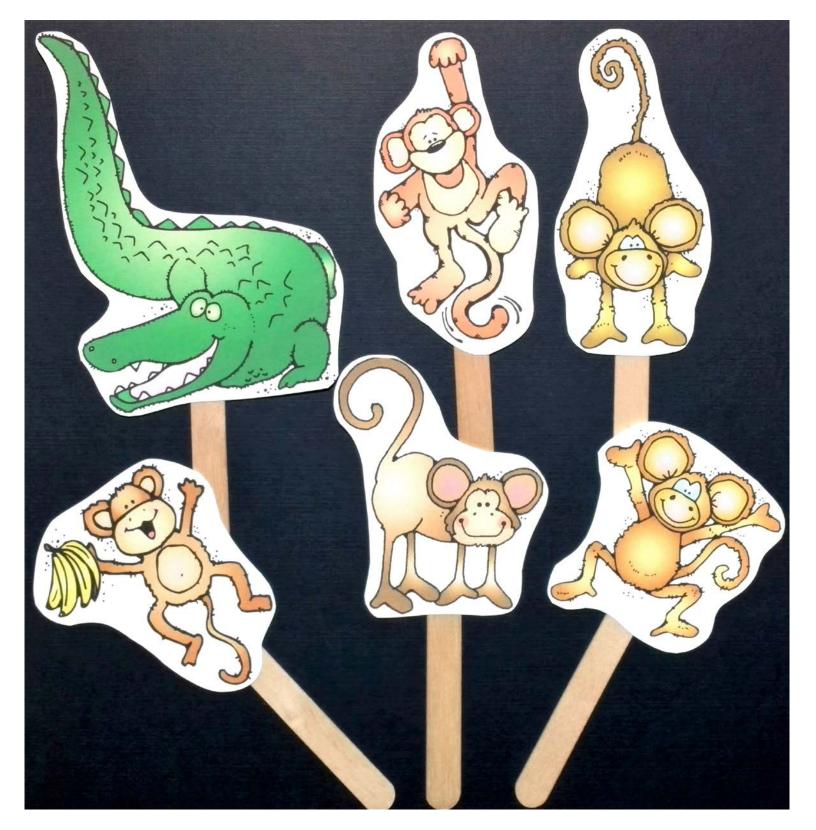
Four little monkeys swinging in a tree,
Teasing Mr. Crocodile, "You can't catch me!"
Along came Mr. Crocodile as quiet as can be......
And snapped that monkey right out of that tree!

Three little monkeys swinging in a tree,
Teasing Mr. Crocodile, "You can't catch me!"
Along came Mr. Crocodile as quiet as can be......
And snapped that monkey right out of that tree!

Two little monkeys swinging in a tree, Teasing Mr. Crocodile, "You can't catch me!" Along came Mr. Crocodile as quiet as can be..... And snapped that monkey right out of that tree!

One little monkey swinging in a tree,
Teasing Mr. Crocodile, "You can't catch me!"
Along came Mr. Crocodile as quiet as can be......
And snapped that monkey right out of that tree!
No little monkeys swinging in a tree

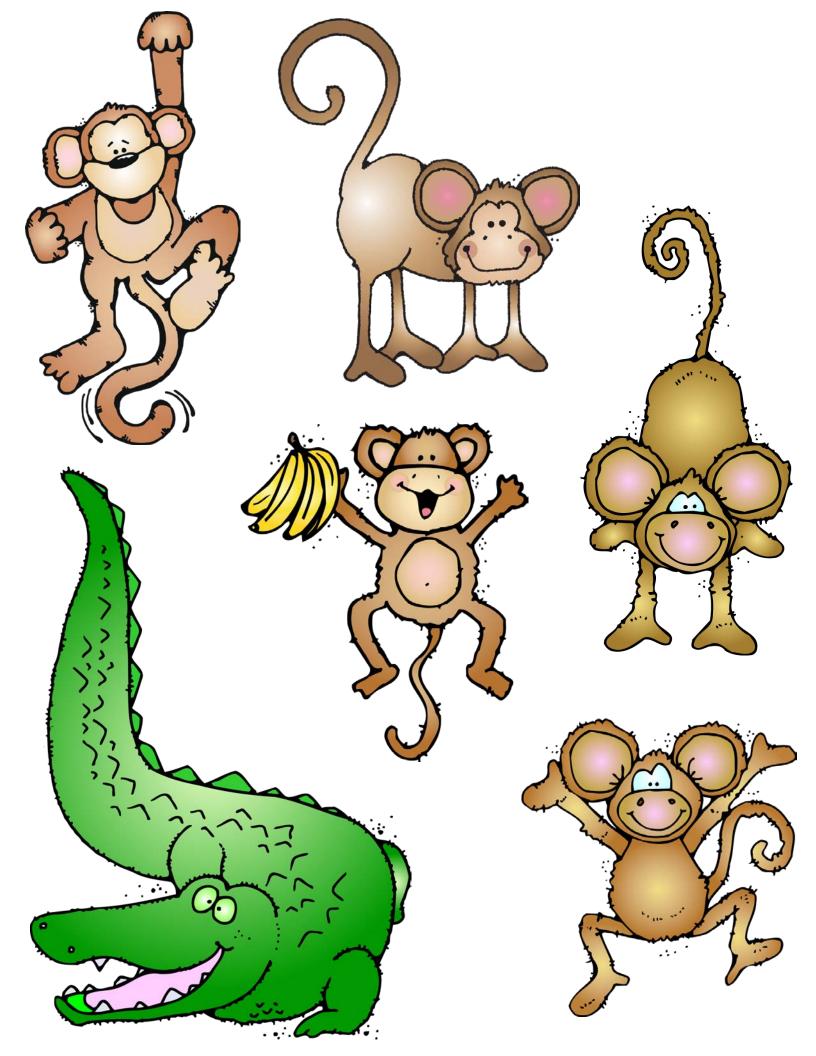


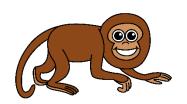


Finished Five Little Monkeys

Print up on white card stock – trim.

Attach a craft stick to the back of each picture using tape. You can also use the rough side of Velcro and turn into a flannel story.





The Animals in the Jungle Say

(Sung to: "The Wheels on the Bus")



The parrots in the jungle say squawk, squawk, squawk. Squawk, squawk, squawk, squawk, squawk. The parrots in the jungle say squawk, squawk, squawk, all day long

The monkeys in the jungle say ooh, ooh, ooh.

Ooh, ooh, ooh, ooh, ooh.

The monkeys in the jungle say ooh, ooh, ooh, all day long.

The tigers in the jungle say grrr, grrr, grr.

Grrr, grrr, grr - grrr, grrr, grr.

The tigers in the jungle say grrr, grrr, grr, all day long.

The snakes in the jungle say hiss, hiss, hiss. Hiss, hiss, hiss – hiss, hiss, hiss. The snakes in the jungle say hiss, hiss, hiss, all day long.

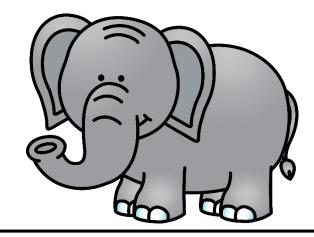




The Elephant Goes

This is the way the elephant goes,
With a curly trunk instead of a nose.
The rhino all hairy and fat.
Has a sharp horn in place of a hat.
The hippo with his mouth so wide.
Let's see what's inside.
The wiggly snake upon the ground.
Crawls along without a sound.
But monkey see, monkey do
Is the funniest animal I ever knew!

Note: make actions for each animal. Swing arm for trunk of elephant, place a hand sticking up on forehead for horn on rhino, open mouth wide for hippo, wiggle arm for snake and have children be silly for monkeys.



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Monkey See, Monkey Do

The monkey stomp, stomps, stomps his feet. The monkey stomp, stomps, stomps his feet. Monkey see, monkey do. The monkey does the same as you!

The monkey claps, claps, claps his hands. The monkey claps, claps, claps his hands. Monkey see, monkey do. The monkey does the same as you!



The monkey covers, covers, covers his eyes. The monkey covers, covers, covers his eyes. Monkey see, monkey do. The monkey does the same as you!

The monkey jumps, jumps, jumps up and down. The monkey jumps, jumps, jumps up and down. Monkey see, monkey do. The monkey does the same as you!

Note: Add additional verses (sits down, stands up, turns around, etc).

I'm A Lion (Sung to: "Three Blind Mice")

I'm a lion, I'm a lion.
Hear me roar, hear me roar.
I love to sleep out in the sun.
And chase other animals just for fun.
In all the jungle I'm Number One, I'm a lion.



Do You Know the Jungle Animals? (Sung to: "The Muffin Man")

Do you know the slimy snake, the slimy snake, the slimy snake? Oh do you know the slimy snake that lives deep in the jungle?

Do you know the chimpanzee, the chimpanzee, the chimpanzee? Oh do you know the chimpanzee that lives deep in the jungle?

Do you know the elephant, the elephant, the elephant?

Oh do you know the elephant that lives deep in the jungle?

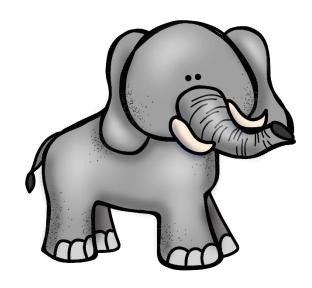
Do you know the crocodile, the crocodile, the crocodile? Oh do you know the crocodile that lives deep in the jungle?

Do you know the fierce lion, the fierce lion, the fierce lion? Oh do you know the fierce lion that lives deep in the jungle?

Oh Yes I know all the jungle animals, jungle animals, jungle animals.

Oh yes I know all the jungle animals, that live deep in the wild jungle!

Note: Add additional jungle animals the children come up with.



Going on a Lion Hunt

We're going on a lion hunt, We're not afraid! Got my canteen by my side, And my binoculars too.

Coming up to short grass now
Can't go under it -Can't go around it -We'll have to go through it!

swish, swish, swish (push grass with small movements of hands)

We're going on a lion hunt, We're not afraid! Got my canteen by my side, And my binoculars too.

Coming up to long grass now
Can't go under it -Can't go around it -We'll have to go through it!

swoosh, swoosh, swoosh (push grass aside with big hand movements)

We're going on a lion hunt, We're not afraid! Got my canteen by my side, And my binoculars too.

Coming up to mud now
Can't go under it -Can't go around it -We'll have to go through it!

squelch, squelch, squelch, squelch (raises hands slowly off the ground as if stuck in mud)

We're going on a lion hunt, We're not afraid! Got my canteen by my side, And my binoculars too.

Coming up to a bridge now
Can't go under it -Can't go around it -We'll have to go through it!

boom, boom, boom (stamp floor rhythmically for sound of bridge crossing)

We're going on a lion hunt, We're not afraid! Got my canteen by my side, And my binoculars too.

Coming up to cave now It's very dark... (shiver)

I've found something...
It's soft and furry...
It's warm and moves... (shiver)

AHHH! it's a lion, run!!!

boom, boom, boom (stamp floor for sound of bridge crossing)

squelch, squelch, squelch, squelch (raises hands slowly off the ground as if stuck in mud)

swoosh, swoosh, swoosh (push grass aside with big hand movements)

swish, swish, swish (push grass with small movements of hands)

Phew!
(wipe forehead)
You coming on a lion hunt?
NO WAY!

Rainforest

(Sung to: "I've Been working on the Railroad")

I've been working in the rainforest,
All among the trees.
I've been working in the rainforest,
Where I saw the bats and bees.
Parrots, butterflies and toucans,
Monkeys and hummingbirds galore,
Frogs and snakes and spotted leopards
On the rainforest floor!

I've been working in the rainforest,
All among the green.
I've been working in the rainforest,
Where the plant life must be seen!
Ferns and mosses and lianas,
Orchids and honeysuckle, too.
Oh, how special is the rainforest,
A magic place come true!



Itsy Bitsy Monkey... (Sung to: "Itsy Bitsy Spider")

The Itsy Bitsy monkey climbed up the coconut tree. ("Climb" up the tree, by alternating cupped hands one on top of the other in the air.)

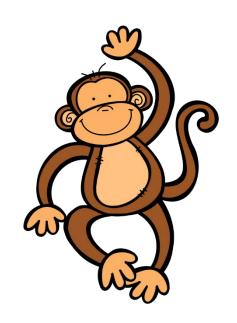
Down came a coconut & hit him on his knee— OWWW!!!!

(Make a double fist above head & hit your knee on "ow!")

Out came a lion a-shakin' his mighty mane— ANNND—

(Frame your face with your hands, fanning fingers out for mane. Shake head & hands. Slow down tempo on "And")

The Itsy Bitsy monkey climbed up the tree again! (Increased the tempo & climb back up the tree)



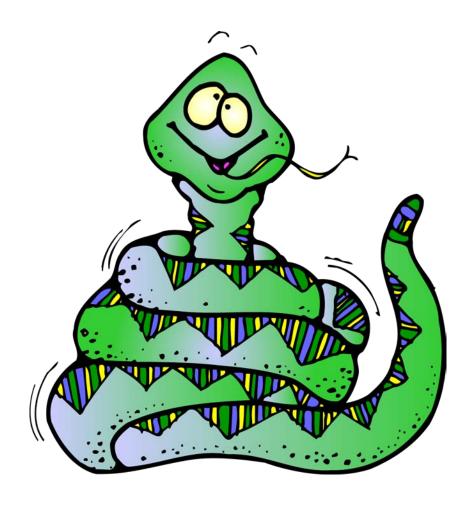
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The Zebra Song
(Sung to: "I'm a Little Tea Cup")
I'm a little zebra, white and black.
With a bushy mane running down my back.
I like to gallop, run and play,
Out on the African plains all day!



A Silly Slippery Snake (Sung to: "If You're Happy and You Know It")

Oh, I wish I was a silly, slippery snake.
Oh, I wish I was a silly, slippery snake.
Oh I'd slither across the floor,
And I'd slip under the door
Oh, I wish I was a silly, slippery snake.



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African Animals





Elephant's trunks are big and strong.

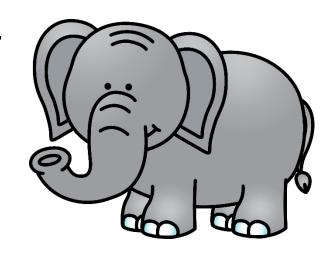
Zebra have stripes and can gallop away.

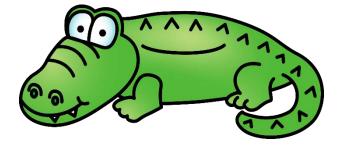
While monkeys in trees like to sway.

Big Crocodiles swim in the water so deep.

Or lie in the sun and fall asleep.







A Lion (Sung to: "If You're Happy and You Know It")

I wish I were a lion in the jungle.

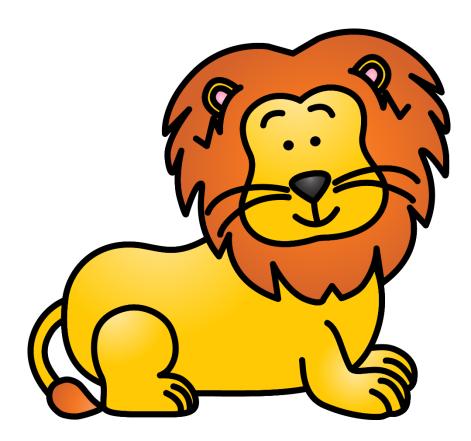
I wish I were a lion in the jungle.

I would be so strong.

I would roar all day long.

Oh I wish I were a lion in the jungle!





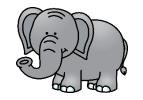
Elephants











Five little elephants standing in a row.

Five little trunks, waving to and fro.

"Good Day", said an elephant. "Time for me to go".

Four little elephants standing in a row.

Continue with - 4 little elephants

3 little elephants, 2 little elephants.

One little elephant standing in a row.

One little trunk, waving to and fro.

"Good Day", said an elephant. "Time for me to go".

No little elephants left in a row.

The Elephant's Trunk

The elephant has a big trunk.

(pretend your arm is a trunk)

That goes swings just so.

(Swing trunk).

He has tiny little eyes that show him where to go.

(Point to eyes.)

His huge long ears go flapping up and down.

(Pretend your hands are ears and flap them.)

His great big feet go stomping on the ground.

(Stomp feet loudly.)

