

Opening the Gift



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Eggstraordinary Eggs

Hurry! Hurry! by Eve Bunting

Tillie Lays an Egg by Terry Golson

Daniel's Mystery Egg by Alma Flor Ada

Ruby in Her Own Time by Jonathan Emmett

Cock-a-Moo~Moo by Juliet Dallas-Conte'

Big Fat Hen illustrated by Keith Baker

Flap Your Wings by P.D. Eastman



Nursery Rhyme: One, Two, Buckle My Shoe



Songs & Fingerplays to Share:

Ten Eggs

Five eggs

(hold up five fingers)
and five eggs

(hold up other five fingers)

That makes ten.

Sitting on top is a mother hen

(lock fingers together, knuckles up)

Crackle, crackle, crackle

(Clap)

What do I see?

Ten fluffy chicks

(hold up ten fingers)

As yellow as can be!

I'm a Little Teapot by Jane Cobb

Little Frog

A little frog in a pond am I.

(make fist)

Hoppity, hoppity hop.

(hop fist three times)

And I can jump in the air so high.

(hop fist high in the air)

Hippity, hippity, hop.

(hop fist three times)

Too Many Rabbits by Kay Cooper

I Wish I Were a Teeny Tiny Egg

Tune: 'If You're Happy and You Know It'

Oh, I wish I were a teeny tiny egg.

Oh, I wish I were a teeny tiny egg.

I would roll and roll around,

Rolling all around the ground.

Oh, I wish I were a teeny tiny egg.

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Unhatched Egg

Make a noise like a rooster.

Make a noise like a hen.

Make a noise like a chick.

Make a noise like an unhatched egg.

Good!

Now we're ready to listen!

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Turtles

One baby turtle
alone and new.

Finds a friend,

and then there are two.

Two baby turtles
crawl down to the sea.

They find another, and
then there are three.

Three baby turtles crawl
along the shore.

They find another, and
then there are four.

Four baby turtles
go for a dive.

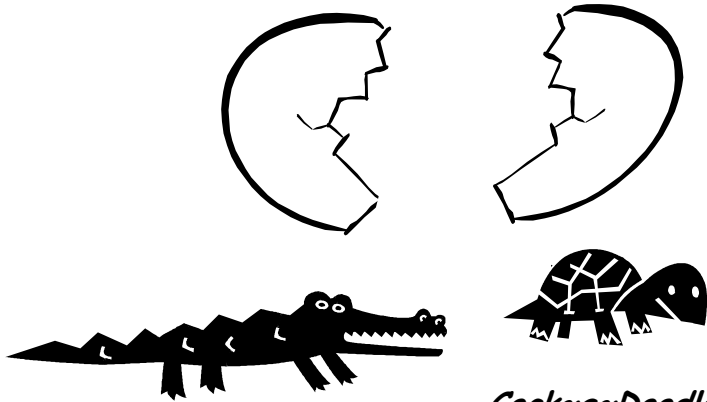
Up swims another, and
then there are five.

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Your next visit will be May: _____

Next month's theme will be: "Vroom, Vroom, Here We Go!"





More Books to Share:

Eggday by Joyce Dunbar

Egg-napped! by Marisa Montes

It's Quacking Time by Martin Waddell

An Egg is Quiet by Dianna Hutts Aston

First the Egg by Laura Vaccaro Seeger

The Cow That Laid an Egg by Andy Cutbill

Cock~a~Doodle Quack! Quack! by Ivor Baddiel and Sophie Jubb

Activity Ideas:

Hatch, Hatch, Little Egg: After reading *In the Small, Small Pond* by Denise Fleming help the children identify which pond animals hatch from eggs. Then play this large motor movement game: all the children curl up into balls and pretend to be eggs. One child is tapped on the shoulder, pretends to hatch, and acts like the pond animal he/she chooses. That youngster taps the next child who hatches, then taps the next child, etc.

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Egg Carton Ball Toss: To make this game you will need an empty and clean egg carton, a marker and a number of ping pong balls or pom poms. Use the marker to assign values to each of the egg cups in the carton. Allow each child to take a turn tossing the ping pong balls or marbles into the cups, then add up their score.

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Bird's Nest Salad:

1 grated carrot

1/2 cup canned Chinese noodles

mayonnaise to moisten

grapes



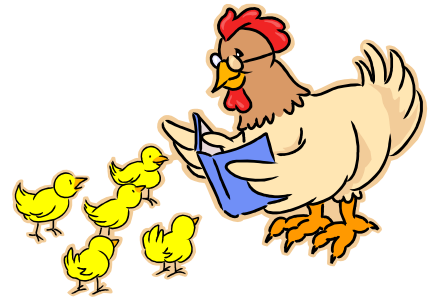
Have children grate a carrot. Mix the carrot with Chinese noodles and mayonnaise to moisten. Put a mound of this salad on a plate and push in the middle with a spoon to form a nest. Grapes can be added to the nest to represent bird's eggs. This recipe makes 2 salads.

alphabet-soup.net

Book of the Month:

Finger Folk by Marilyn Lohnes PTC J 745.59224 L

"A book of 25 preschool programs on favorite topics (apples, bears, cats, clouds, dinosaurs, pumpkins, valentines, etc.) for beginning and seasoned storytellers. Each theme offers two finger plays, instructions and patterns for making finger puppets, other resources (including books, music, and poems), creative activities such as crafts and dramatic play, and snack ideas. Print resources for programming, finger plays, poetry, songs, and crafts and a listing of sound recordings complete the book. The patterns are clear and would also work well for flannel boards."



Road to Reading Tip:

Research Says: "Learning to recognize shapes in drawing and shape-sorting games helps your child to recognize letters and words and is a valuable pre-reading skill."

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