

Discovering

ART, MUSIC & DRAMA

Art, music and drama experiences stimulate both sides of a child's brain, and provides opportunity for social, emotional, physical and cognitive learning. These experiences increase attention, memory and concentration which all aid in further skill development such as reading and mathematics. Through art, music and drama experiences the body and mind work together.

EXPERIENCE

Finger games and lap songs

Choose one of the following songs or finger rhymes to sing together:

Open Shut Them

Open shut them, open shut them, give a little clap. Open, shut then, open shut them, lay them in your lap. Creep them, creep them, creep them, creep them right up to your chin. Open wide your little mouth but do not let them in! Ba, ba boor, shut the door. Ba, ba bout - peep out. Ba, ba ba - there you are!

Pat-a Cake

Pat-a Cake, Pat - a Cake, Baker's man. Bake me a cake as fast as you can. Pat it and prick it and mark it with B, and put it in the oven for baby and me.

Age Group

0-2

YEARS

Round and round the garden

Round and round the garden, went the teddy bear, one step, two steps. Tickly under there. Round and round the haystack, went the little mouse, one step, two steps, in his little house, in his little house.

LEARNING

How is this supporting my child's learning?

Finger games and songs shared with your child support social development, feelings of confidence and curiosity about the surrounding world. When infants have opportunities for playful interactions with their caregiver, they grow more social, learn more easily and their self-esteem grows

RESOURCES

What do I need?

A comfortable place to sit with your little one. The video that accompanies this card can show you some of the actions - if you wish, you can sing along with the video.