



BUSY TOYS DECEMBER



WAKE UP TIME

Bouncing and Lifting

WHO'S HERE TODAY?

Tune: The Farmer in the Dell

_____ 's here today,
_____ 's here today,
We're so glad that _____ 's here,
Let's all shout, "Hurray!"
"Hurray!"

Name and lift each baby.

SO BIG

How big is _____?
_____ is sooooooo big.

Name each baby and ask
Parent to share what's new.

WHAT'S NEW?

JACK BE NIMBLE

Jack be nimble,
Jack be quick,
Jack jump over
The candlestick.

Bounce and lift Baby to nursery rhyme.

PLAY TIME

Peek-a-Boo

BUSY TOYS

Play with cause and effect toys. Create a novel action and pause to see if Baby can anticipate. Encourage Baby to make something happen. Play peek-a-boo in response to Baby's action. Help Baby learn that he or she can have an effect in the world.

MEAL TIME

Clapping

PAT-A-CAKE

Pat-a-cake, pat-a-cake, Baker's man,
Bake me a cake, as fast as you can.
Roll it, pat it, and mark it with a "B,"
And put it in the oven, for Baby and me.

Clap and gesture to rhyme.

LITTLE JACK HORNER

Little Jack Horner
Sat in a corner,
Eating a Christmas pie.
He put in his thumb,
And pulled out a plum,
And said, "What a good boy am I!"

Clap Baby's hands to nursery rhyme.



TALKING TIME

Tell Me A Story

SING AND RHYME

Sing songs to Baby. Recite nursery rhymes. Hum familiar tunes or make up a song. Hold Baby and move to the music. Make music using rattles or household items such as wooden spoons and pots or pans.

BATH TIME

Tickling/Body Parts

ROUND THE GARDEN

Round and round the garden,
Went the Teddy Bear.
One step, two steps,
Tickle under there.

Draw a circle on Baby's palm. Walk fingers up Baby's arm, then gently tickle.

THE LITTLE MAN

There was a little man,
Who had a little crumb,
And over the mountain he did run,
With a belly full of fat,
And a big tall hat,
And a pancake stuck to his
Bum, bum, bum,
And a pancake stuck to his bum!

Run fingers on Baby's body
and gesture to rhyme.

CRISS CROSS APPLESAUCE

Criss cross applesauce,
A cool breeze,
A tight squeeze,
And a tickle, tickle, tickle,
As you please.

Draw an X on Baby's tummy. Blow on Baby's neck and tickle and hug gently.

CUDDLING TIME

Lullaby

LULLABY AND GOODNIGHT

Lullaby and goodnight,
Sleep is softly around you.
While your dreams fill your eyes,
With a melody of love.
Lay you down now to rest,
May your slumber be blessed.
Lay you down now to rest,
May your slumber be blessed.