

Counting Songs and Rhymes for Children

Ten in a Bed

There were ten in the bed,
And the little one said 'roll over, roll over',
So they all rolled over and one fell out.



There were nine in the bed,
And the little one said 'roll over, roll over'
So they all rolled over and one fell out.....'

Five Little Speckled Frogs

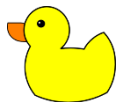
Five little speckled frogs,
Sat on a speckled log,
Eating some most delicious bugs
Yum, Yum...
One jumped into the pool,
Where it was nice and cool,
Then there were four green speckled frogs
Glub, Glub,



Four little speckled frogs ...
(Continue until last verse
'and then there were no green speckled frogs')

Five Little Ducks

Five Little ducks went swimming one day,
Over the hills and far away
Mother duck said,
"Quack, quack, quack quack"
But only four little ducks came swimming
back.
Four Little ducks went swimming one
day...
(Continue until one little duck)



Five Currant Buns

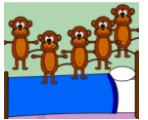
Five currant buns in a baker's shop,
Big and round with a cherry on the top,
Along came (sing any name) with a penny
one day,
Bought a currant bun and took it away,
Four currant buns in a baker's shop...
(Continue until one currant bun is left in
the baker's shop)



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Monkeys on the Bed

Five Little monkeys bouncing on the bed
One fell off and bumped his head
Mama called the doctor and the doctor said
"No more monkeys bouncing on the bed".
Four little monkeys bouncing on the bed...
(Continue until no little monkeys –
They're all bouncing on the sofa
instead.)



Five Little Men in a Flying Saucer

Five little men in a flying saucer,
Flew around the Earth one day,
They looked left and right,
But they didn't like the sight
So one man flew away...WHOOSH.
Four little men in a flying saucer....
(Continue singing until the last man has
flown away)



Five Fat Sausages

Five fat sausages sizzling in a pan,
All of a sudden one went BANG!
Four fat sausages sizzling in a pan,
All of a sudden one went BANG!
(Continue singing until the last sausage goes
BANG!)



Ten Green Bottles

Ten green bottles sitting on the wall,
Ten green bottles sitting on the wall,
And if one green bottle should accidentally
fall,
There'll be nine green bottles sitting on the
wall.
Nine green bottles sitting on the wall...
(Continue singing until only one green bottle
is left)

One green bottle sitting on the wall,
One green bottle sitting on the wall,
And if that one green bottle should
accidentally fall,

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There'll be no green bottles sitting on the wall.

One Man Went to Mow

One man went to mow,
Went to mow a meadow,
One man and his dog (Spot),
Went to mow a meadow.
Two men went to mow,
Went to mow a meadow,
Two men, one man and his dog (Spot),
Went to mow a meadow.
Three men went to mow,
Went to mow a meadow,
Three men, two men, one man and his dog (Spot),
Went to mow a meadow.
(see how far you can go!)



This Old Man

This old man, he played ONE,
He played knick knack on my thumb.
With a knick knack, paddy wack,
Give a dog a bone,
This old man came rolling home.



This old man, he played TWO,
He played knick knack on my shoe.
With a knick knack, paddy wack,
Give a dog a bone,
This old man came rolling home.

This old man, he played THREE,
He played knick knack on my knee.
With a knick knack, paddy wack,
Give a dog a bone,
This old man came rolling home.

This old man, he played FOUR,
He played knick knack on my door.
With a knick knack, paddy wack,
Give a dog a bone,
This old man came rolling home.

This old man, he played FIVE,
He played knick knack on my hive.
With a knick knack, paddy wack,
Give a dog a bone,
This old man came rolling home.

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Once I Caught a Fish Alive

One, two, three, four, five,
Once I caught a fish alive,
Six, seven, eight, nine, ten,
Then I let it go again.



Why did you let it go?
Because it bit my finger so.
Which finger did it bite?
This little finger on the right.

Peter Works with One Hammer

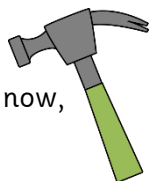
Peter works with one hammer, one hammer, one hammer,
Peter works with one hammer, this fine day.

Peter works with two hammers, two hammers, two hammers,
Peter works with two hammers, this fine day.
(Continue until five hammers...)

Peter's very tired now, tired now, tired now,
Peter's very tired now, this fine day.

Peter's going to sleep now, sleep now, sleep now,
Peter's going to sleep now, this fine day.

Peter's waking up now, up now, up now,
Peter's waking up now, this fine day.



Rockets

Rockets shoot off into space,
Hurry up it's quite a race!
Rockets make a big loud boom,
Heading up towards the moon!
Counting down before we go,
10,9,8,7,6,5,4,3,2,1, ZERO!



I Can Count

I can count, want to see?
Here's my fingers- 1, 2, 3 (Hold up fingers)
4 and 5, this hand is done.
Now I'll count the other one.
6, 7, 8 and 9 (Hold up other hand)



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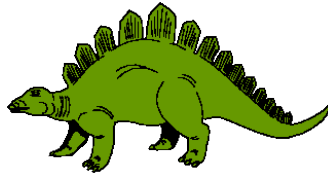
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Just one more, I'm doing fine.
The last little finger is number ten.
Now I'll count them all again.
1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10!

Dinosaurs

Five enormous dinosaurs
Letting out a roar
One went away, and
Then there were four.

Four enormous dinosaurs
Crashing down a tree,
One went away, and
Then there were three.



Three enormous dinosaurs
Eating tiger stew,
One went away, and
Then there were two.

Two enormous dinosaurs,
Trying to run
One ran away, and then there was one.

One enormous dinosaur,
Afraid to be a hero,
He went away and then there were zero.

Ten Fingers

I have ten fingers (*hold up both hands,
fingers spread*)
And they all belong to me, (*point to self*)
I can make them do things-
Would you like to see?

I can shut them up tight (*make fists*)
I can open them wide (*open hands*)
I can put them together (*place palms
together*)
I can make them all hide (*put hands behind
back*)



I can make them jump high (*hands over
head*)
I can make them jump low (*touch floor*)
I can fold them quietly (*fold hands in lap*)
And hold them just so.