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Welcome to the *Silliness* Theme Kit. Our target age group is 2 to 5 year olds but we have included at least one board book for babies to use. All these books read aloud well, and there are activities, finger plays, and teacher guides to help you. Also, take a look at the general information sheet on the inside cover of this notebook. ENJOY!

Related Activities

FOR YOU: a copy of these activities is available in back of this notebook.

-Fun and Games-

FIVE LITTLE MONKEYS *

After reading *Five Little Monkeys*, choose five children to be the monkeys, one to be the Mama or Papa, and one to be the doctor. Lay out a bed sheet or yarn or rope in the shape of a bed and the five monkeys jump, the Mama or Papa call the doctor and the doctor wags her/his finger at the monkeys. Repeat until all the monkeys fall off.

JUST FOR FUN MASKS

Cut heavy 8 ½ x 11 paper into 3 equal strips, cutting the short way. ← 8 ½" →
Cut eye holes in the middle of the form. *(You may want to have these precut for the children)* Give one to each child and tell them to make a silly mask. Provide them with plenty of materials, such as feathers, Easter grass, ribbons, tinsel, etc., to spark their imaginations. Mark an x at the edge of each mask, but even with the middle of the eye holes. Reinforce the area with tape and punch holes for attaching rubber bands and string. Put the rubber band through the hole; put the top loop through the bottom loop. Pull on top loop to pull tight. Attach piece of string to each side. *Or kids can roll up a piece of paper into a slender tube and attach it to the side to make a hand-held version.*

THERE WAS AN OLD LADY

The old lady and felt creatures included with this kit will be great fun to use with the children. The story sheet and suggested activities are included in this notebook.
Sing or say the lyrics; as you go through the first time, put each of the animals on the old lady's tummy. Then pass out the pieces to the children and go through it all again.
Let children retell the story during free time.

YUMMY SPIDERS

8 ounces dry chow mein noodles
16 ounces chocolate chips
1 tablespoon butter or margarine
Directions:
Melt butter over low heat in a saucepan; add chocolate chips and stir until melted. When chocolate is smooth, carefully add chow mein noodles. Remove from heat and stir to coat noodles.
Let the children use clean spoons to drop a spoonful onto wax paper, creating spidery shapes.
Work quickly before the chocolate hardens. Cool and eat!
Variation: Use ½ chocolate and ½ butterscotch chips.

SESAME SONGS:
SING YOURSELF SILLY
Songs to note:

- Put Down the Duckie
- Old MacDonald Cantata

MONKEY SEE, MONKEY DO
Suit actions to words

When you clap, clap, clap your hands
The monkey clap, clap, claps his hands.
Chorus:
Monkey see, monkey do.
The monkey does the same as you.
And when you stamp, stamp,
stamp your feet,
The monkey stamp, stamp,
stamps his feet.
Repeat chorus after each verse.
And when you jump, jump,
jump up high…
And when you make a funny face…
And when you turn yourself about…
You can ask the children to suggest words and actions.

SHAKE MY SILLIES OUT
Suit actions to words

I'm gonna shake, shake,
shake my sillies out
Shake, shake, shake my sillies out,
Shake, shake, shake my sillies out,
And wiggle my waggles away.

Other verses:
Clap, clap, clap my crazies out…
Jump, jump, jump my jiggles out…
Yawn, yawn, yawn my sleepies out…

-Fingerplays and Action Rhymes-

THE CROCODILE

She sailed away on a lovely summer's day, on the back of a crocodile.	*place right hand on back of left with right fingers on left palm*
"You see," said she, "It's as plain as plain can be, "I'll go sailing down the Nile."	*Move with a swaying motion.*
The croc winked his eye	*Wink*
As she waved them all good-bye,	*Wave*
Wearing a great big smile.	*Smile*
At the end of the ride, The lady was inside. And the smile on the crocodile.	*Use two hands, wrists together, open & shut*

MY AUNT CAME BACK
A call and response (echo) song or chant.

Oh my aunt came back (echo) from old Japan (echo) and she brought me back (echo) a paper fan (echo).	*Fan with one hand*
From old Algiers, and she brought me back, a pair of shears…	*"Snip" with fingers of other hand, continue fanning*
From Holland too, and she brought me back, a wooden shoe…	*Clomp one foot as well*
From old Chile, and she brought me back, an itchy flea…	*Scratch yourself all over, but don't forget to fan yourself too!*
From the county fair, and she brought me back, a rocking chair…	*Whole body is now rocking, while fanning, snipping, clomping and scratching.*
From the city zoo, and she brought me back, a monkey like you!!	

WHEN SAMMY PUT THE PAPER ON THE WALL

When Sammy put the paper on the wall	*Hands side to side*
He put the parlor paper in the hall	*Hands up and down*
He papered on the stairs	*Paper as if up stairs*
He papered on the chairs	*Make chair with hands*
He even put a border on grandma's shawl.	*Border your shoulders*
When Sammy put the paper on the wall	*Same as before*
He poured a pot of paste upon us all	*Pour bucket over head*
Now we're all stuck together	*Put hands on opposite shoulders*
Like birds of a feather	*Flap arms while crossed*
Since Sammy put the paper on the wall.	*Slap knees twice*

Questions or Suggestions:
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How You Can Help

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- Please check box contents before returning.
- Do not use the book drop. Please return kits inside an open library.