

## ***Spunky Little Monkey***

by Brian Won

### **Related Books:**

***From Head to Toe*** by Eric Carle

***Betty Goes Bananas*** by Steve Antony

***Five Little Monkeys Jumping On the Bed*** by Eileen Christelow

***Wiggle*** by Doreen Cronin

***The Seals On the Bus*** by Lenny Hort

***You Are a Lion!*** by Tae-eun Yoo

***Caps For Sale and the Mindful Monkeys*** by Esphyr Slobodkina

***Naughty Little Monkeys*** by Jim Aylesworth

### **Fingerplays & Songs:**

#### **5 Little Monkeys**

5 little monkeys swingin' in the trees, teasing Mr.

Alligator, "You can't catch me!"

Along comes Mr. Alligator, quiet as can be, and

SNAPPED a monkey right out of that tree!

Continue counting until no monkeys are left.

#### **Clap Your Hands** (tune of *Row, Row, Row Your Boat*)

Clap, clap, clap your hands. Clap your hands with me.

Clap them fast (clap fast), or clap them slow (drag out words and clapping),

Clap your hands with me!

(suggestions for more verses: stomp your feet, spin around, tap your lap, wiggle your ears, sit back down)

## **Monkey See, Monkey Do**

The monkey stomps, stomps, stomps his feet

The monkey stomps, stomps, stomps his feet

Monkey see, monkey do

The monkey does the same as you!

The monkey claps, claps, claps his hands

The monkey claps, claps, claps his hands

Monkey see, monkey do

The monkey does the same as you!

The monkey covers, covers, covers his eyes

The monkey covers, covers, covers his eyes

Monkey see, monkey do

The monkey does the same as you!

The monkey jumps, jumps, jumps up and down

The monkey jumps, jumps, jumps up and down

Monkey see, monkey do

The monkey does the same as you!

*Add additional verses (sits down, stands up, turns around, etc)*

## **Itsy Bitsy Monkey** (*Sung to tune: Itsy Bitsy Spider*)

The itsy bitsy monkey climbed up the coconut tree [Have hands climb.]

Down came a coconut that bopped him on the knee [Drop fist from over head to hit yourself on the knee.]

Along came his Mama, who kissed away the pain [Kiss your fist.]

Then the itsy bitsy monkey climbed up the tree again [*Climb hands again -having kids stretch as high as they can reach.*]

## **Music CD's:**

**Jump Jim Joe** by Miss Carole of Macaroni Soup

**Down Down Baby** by Laurie Berkner

## **Activities and Crafts:**

### **Handprint Monkey Craft**

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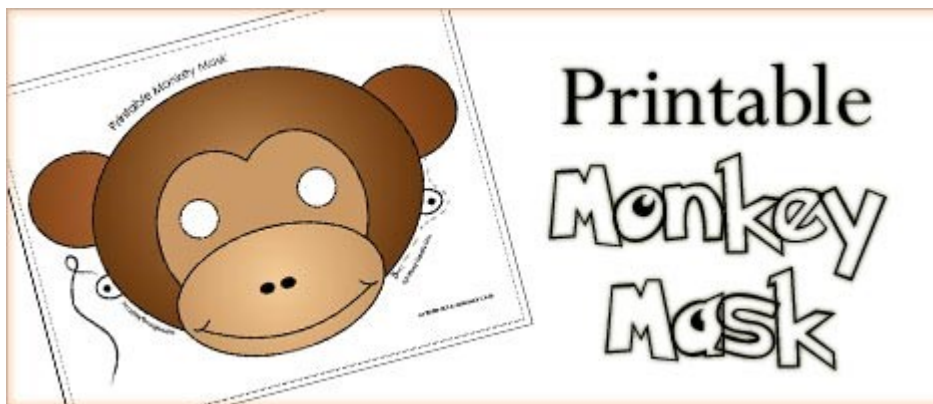
### **Clothespin Monkey Craft**

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### **Monkey Mask**

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### **Flannel Board**

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### **Building Block of Literacy: Letter Knowledge**

For most children, learning drills are not fun. Children can learn letters in ways that are fun and that will keep their attention longer. For example, they can make letter shapes using their bodies or their fingers. They can draw letters in the water when they take a bath, with chalk on the sidewalk, or with playdough. Talk about letters in your child's name or letters related to a topic they are interested in, like trucks, volcanoes, kittens, etc.