



Finding Fergus by Mike Boldt

Recommended books based on audience participation:

Polar Bear in the Snow by Mac Barnett
This Book is Magic by Ashley Evanson
I will Chomp You by Jory John
Don't Touch this Book by Bill Cotter
Hide and Seek Harry at the Beach by Kenny Harrison
Hide and Seek Harry around the House by Kenny Harrison
Duck! Rabbit! by Amy Krouse Rosenthal
Peek A Moo by Marie Torres Cimarusti
OR Recommended books on bears:

The Bear Ate Your Sandwich by Julie Sarcone — Roach
The Little Mouse, The Red Ripe Strawberry, and the Big Hungry Bear by Don Wood
Where's My Teddy by Jez Alborough

Fingerplays and Action Rhymes:

Little Mouse, Little Are you in the (Insert color of House) felt story
Can add in other animals if you want examples:
bear, duck, fish, pig or just use a bear for Fergus!

Knock, Knock, Who's There?

Knock, knock, who's there? (pretend to knock, hold out hands in questioning position) Two little feet that go tap, tap (hold up correct number of fingers, do motions as indicated) Knock, knock, who's there? Two little knees that go slap, slap

Knock, knock, who's there? Two little hips that go wiggle, wiggle Knock, knock, who's there? One little tummy that goes jiggle, jiggle

Knock, knock, who's there?
Two little arms that go flap, flap
Knock, knock, who's there?
Two little hands that go clap, clap

Knock, knock, who's there?
Two little eyes that go blink, blink
Knock, knock, who's there?
One little head that goes think, think
Knock, knock, who's there?
Open the door and see.
(pretend to open door)
Knock, knock, who's there?
It's every part of me.
(wiggle whole body)
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Peekaboo

Peekaboo, where are you hiding in your... PLACE! PEEKABOO! Peekaboo, I see you and your smiling... FACE! PEEKABOO!

Where Is Thumbkin?

Where is Thumbkin? Where is Thumbkin?

Here I am! Here I am!

How are you today, sir? Very well, I thank you.

Run away Run away

Where is Pointer? Where is Pointer?

Here I am! Here I am!

How are you today, sir? Very well, I thank you.

Run away Run away

Where is Middleman? Where is Middleman?

Here I am! Here I am!

How are you today, sir? Very well, I thank you.

Run away Run away

Where is Ringman? Where is Ringman?

Here I am! Here I am!

How are you today, sir? Very well, I thank you.

Run away Run away

Where is Pinkie? Where is Pinkie?

Here I am! Here I am!

How are you today, sir? Very well, I thank you.

Run away Run away

A Little Brown Bear

A little brown bear, went in search of some honey (shade eyes with hand)
Isn't it funny, a bear wanting honey? (shrug shoulders)
He sniffed at the breeze (lift head and pretend to sniff)
And listened for bees (hold hand to ear)
And wouldn't you believe it (shake index finger)
He even climbed trees! (pretend to climb)

Two Little Black Bears (Can use bear puppets or just hold up your pointer fingers)

Two little black bears sitting on a hill. (hold hands behind your back)

One named Jack (bring one hand around, pointer finger up)

And one named Jill. (bring other hand around, pointer finger up)

Run away Jack (swing first hand back behind back)

Run away Jill. (swing second hand back behind back)

Come back Jack (bring first hand to the front again)

Come back Jill. (bring second hand to the front again)

Two little black bears digging in the snow

One named Fast and one named Slow.

(bring hands around in the same way but move one hand really fast and one deliberately slowly.)

Two little black bears feeling very proud

One named Quiet and one named Loud.

(make your voice quiet and loud while you bring your hands back and front.)

Grizzly Bears (to the tune of "Mary Had a Little Lamb")

Grizzly bears are big and brown, Big and brown, big and brown, Grizzly bears are big and brown, And live out in the woods.

Polar bears are soft and white, Soft and white, soft and white, Polar bears are soft and white, And live out where it's cold. Teddy bears are just my size, Just my size, just my size, Teddy bears are just my size, To cuddle with at night.

Songs:

"I'm Going on a Bear Hunt" by Greg & Steve "Going on a Bear Hunt" by Dr. Jean "Bear Went Over the Mountain" by Kimbo

Extension Activity:

Hide and Seek Sensory Play

Hide different objects in rice or corn or other material

Craft Activity: Fork-Painted Bears

Supplies: Construction paper or paper plates; paint; plastic forks; glue; scissors; mix of materials to add details: googly eyes, pipe cleaners, puff balls, etc.

Let kids stick their fork tines in paint and use the design to create a fuzzy bear. Add eyes, nose, and glasses for Fergus etc. using extra pieces of paper and other craft mediums. Encourage kids to explore painting with things other than a brush!

