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Count Down to Kindergarten

Five Little Turkeys

Five little turkeys by the barn door,
One waddled off, then there were four.
Four little turkeys out under the tree,
One waddled off, then there were three.
Three little turkeys with nothing to do,
One waddled off, then there were two.
Two little turkeys in the noonday sun,
One waddled off, then there was one.
One little turkey—better run away!
Soon will come Thanksgiving Day!

Mr. Turkey

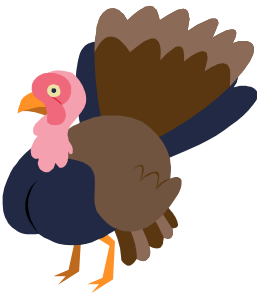
(If You're Happy and You Know It)

Hello, Mr. Turkey, how are you?
Hello, Mr. Turkey, how are you?
With a gobble, gobble, gobble,
And a wobble, wobble, wobble,
Hello, Mr. Turkey, how are you?

Mr. Turkey

Mr. Turkey's tail is big and wide. *(spread hands wide)*
He swings it when he walks. *(swings hands back and forth)*
His neck is long, his chin is red. *(stroke chin and neck)*
He gobbles when he talks. *(open and close hand)*

Mr. Turkey is so tall and proud. *(stand up tall)*
He dances on his feet. *(dance in place)*
And on each Thanksgiving Day,
He's something good to eat. *(pat stomach)*



Songs, Rhymes and Finger Plays
Literacy Development



Start Early. Reach Higher.

My Turkey

I have a turkey big and fat.
He spreads his wings
(Fan hands at hips.)
And walks like that.
(Struts back and forth.)
His daily corn he would not miss,
(Pretend to eat corn.)
And when he talks, he sounds like this—
Gobble, gobble, gobble.

Gobble, Gobble Song

(Tune: Pop Goes the Weasel)

A turkey is a funny bird,
His head goes wobble, wobble.
He know just one funny word,
It's Gobble, Gobble, Gobble.

Pretty Leaves are Falling Down

(Tune: London Bridge)

Pretty leaves are falling down, falling down, falling down.
Pretty leaves are falling down, all around the town.

Let's rake them up in a pile, in a pile, in a pile.
Let's rake them up in a pile, all around the town.

Let's all jump in and have some fun, have some fun, have some fun.
Let's all jump in and have some fun, all around the town.

I'm a Little Acorn Brown

I'm a little acorn brown,
Lying on the cold, cold ground.
Everyone walks over me,
That is why I'm cracked you see.
I'm a nut (click, click).
In a rut (click, click).
I'm a nut (click, click).
In a rut click, click).

PEAK Literacy Tip

Finger plays, songs and rhymes are important for helping children learn the sounds of language. This is the beginning step of learning to read.

It is important for young children to:

- Repeat rhyming songs and poems and identify rhymes
- Recognize the common sounds at the beginning of words

Have fun with your child with these seasonal songs and rhymes.

