Mittens and Kittens

Did you know, that while newborn kittens don't need to wear mittens, they do depend on their mother for warmth? When they get older, they have enough fur and fat to stay warm on their own.

FACT!

The three little kittens, they lost their mittens,
And they began to cry,
"Oh, mother dear, we sadly fear,
That we have lost our mittens."
"What! Lost your mittens, you naughty kittens!
Then you shall have no pie."
"Meow, meow, meow."
"Then you shall have no pie."

The three little kittens, they found their mittens,
And they began to cry,
"Oh, mother dear, see here, see here,
For we have found our mittens."
"Put on your mittens, you silly kittens,
And you shall have some pie."
"Purr, purr, purr, Oh, let us have some pie."

The three little kittens put on their mittens,
And soon ate up the pie,
"Oh, mother dear, we greatly fear,
That we have soiled our mittens."
"What, soiled your mittens, you naughty kittens!"
Then they began to sigh,
"Meow, meow, meow," Then they began to sigh.

The three little kittens put on their mittens,
And hung them out to dry,
"Oh, mother dear, do you not hear,
That we have washed our mittens?"
"What, washed your mittens, then you're good kittens,
But I smell a rat close by."
"Meow, meow, meow, We smell a rat close by."

Matching Game

- Draw, color, and cut out mittens
  - You'll need two of each design
- Spread the mittens out, and encourage your child to match them up.
  - Using clothespins to match them is great practice for fine motor skills!
- Try making it harder by flipping the mittens over and creating a game of "memory."

Three Little Kittens
By Mother Goose

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Trace You Hand

You can trace your own hand to make a mitten shape!

Have fun decorating your mittens with different colors and textures.

Mittens

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Stripes or dots or sparkling white, 
Mittens in winter fit just right.
Wool and cotton, maybe leather-
Mittens warm us in cold weather.
In rainbow colors and darkest black,
Mittens fit in a pocket or in your pack.
Thumbs alone, fingers together,
We love mittens in cold, cold weather.

My Mittens

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I wiggle my left hand,
I wiggle my right,
Inside of my mittens
So warm and so tight!

I wiggle my pinkie,
I wiggle my thumb,
So when I make snowballs,
My hands won't get numb.

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A Kid's Activity Guide to 
Fiber Arts and Crafts
by Laurie M. Carlson

Mittens
by Lola M. Schaefer

Three Little Kittens
by Jerry Pinkney

Left and Right

Mittens are a great way to help teach the difference between left and right.

Use one color mitten for left, another for right.