Virtual Musical Jamboree with Kayla Marie

Early Literacy Tip for Parents & Caregivers: Even though very young children will not actually understand number words and concepts, rhymes and books with numbers and sequence prepare them for the idea of numbers and for counting by rote or imitation. Later, they will connect the concept to the words.

Clap Everybody and Say Hello
Sung To: Skip to My Loo
Clap everybody and say hello (x3)
No matter what the weather!

Try:
Clap...Nǐ hǎo (Mandarin)
Jump...Kon'nichiwa (Japanese)
Jump...Yeoboseyo (Korean)
Wiggle...Namaste (Hindi)
Wiggle...Aloha (Hawaiian)
Clap...Kamusta (Tagalog)

I'm in the Mood for Singing
I'm in the mood for singing, hey how 'bout you? (x2)
I'm in the mood for singing, singing along with you
Hey, hey, what do you say, I'm in the mood for that today
Hey, hey what do you say? I'm in the mood for that.

Try:
Dancing
Playing

If You’re Happy and You Know It (Music Style)
If you’re happy and you know it, play your guitar
Pick, pick (x2)
If you’re happy and you know it and you really want to show it,
If you’re happy and you know it, play your guitar,
Pick, pick

Try:
Ukulele...strum
Banjo...twang, twang
Drum...beat, beat
Bass...thump

I've Been Working on the Railroad
I've been working on the railroad
All the live long day
I've been working on the railroad
Just to pass the time away
Can't you hear the whistle blowing
Rise up so early in the morn
Can't you hear the whistle blowing
Dinah, blow your horn
Dinah won't you blow (x3)
your horn
Dinah, won't you blow (x3)
your horn
Someone's in the kitchen with Dinah

Somebody's in the kitchen I know
Somebody's in the kitchen with Dinah
Strumming on the old banjo, singin'
Fee fie fiddle eeii o
Fee fie fiddle eeii o
Fee fie fiddle eeii o
Strumming on the old banjo

We're Going to the Zoo
Daddy's taking us to the zoo tomorrow, zoo tomorrow, zoo tomorrow.
Daddy's taking us to the zoo tomorrow and we can stay all day!

Chorus:
We're going to the zoo, zoo, zoo,
How about you, you, you?
You can come too, too, too
We're going to the zoo, zoo, zoo!

See the striped tigers growl, growl, growling,
Pacing back and forth and growl, growl, growling
Eating up their dinner and growl, growl, growling
We can stay all day

Chorus

See the elephant with the long trunk swingin'

Great big ears and long trunk swingin'
Sniffin' up peanuts with the long trunk swingin'
We can stay all day

Chorus

See all the monkeys scratch scratch scratchin'
Jumpin' all around and scratch scratch scratchin'
Hangin' by their long tails scratch scratch scratchin'
We can stay all day

Chorus

We stayed all day and I'm gettin' sleepy
Sittin' in the car gettin' sleep sleep sleepy
Home already and I'm sleep sleep sleepy
We have stayed all day

Zoom Zoom Zoom
Zoom, zoom, zoom
We're going to the moon.
Zoom, zoom, zoom
We're going to the moon.
So if you want to take a trip
just climb aboard your rocket ship.
Zoom, zoom, zoom
We're going to the moon.
In 5, 4, 3, 2, 1
Blast Off!

Try:
Fun, fun, fun, we’re going to the sun!
Far, far, far, we’re going to the stars!

Six Little Ducks
Six little ducks that I once knew,
Fat ones, skinny ones, fair ones, too,

Chorus:
But the one little duck with a feather on its back,
It led the others with a “Quack! Quack! Quack!”
a “Quack! Quack! Quack!”
a “Quack! Quack! Quack!”
It led the others with a “Quack! Quack! Quack!”

Down to the river they would go, Wibble-wobble, wibble-wobble, to and fro,

Chorus

Back from the river they would come, Wibble-wobble, wibble-wobble, ho hum hum

Early Literacy Example:
The next song is all about sequencing and can be a really fun way to practice!

There Was a Crocodile
There was a crocodile,
An orangutan, a flying eagle,
And a silvery fish,
A bunny, a beaver, a crazy elephant,
Da na na na da na na na

Continue repeating the song, but each time drop one of the animals starting with the crocodile. The tricky part is you have to keep doing the motions!

Five Green and Speckled Frogs
Five little speckled frogs,
Sat on a speckled log,
Eating some most delicious bugs.
Yum yum!
One jumped into the pool,
Where it was nice and cool,
Then there were four speckled frogs.
Glub glub!

Jenny Jenkins
Will you wear blue,
Oh my dear, oh my dear.
Will you wear blue, Jenny Jenkins?
No, I won't wear blue
Cause blue won't do.

Chorus:
I'll buy me a foldy-rolidy, tildy toldy
Seek-a-double, use-a-cozza roll to find me,
Roll, Jenny Jenkins, Roll

Will you wear green,
Oh my dear, oh my dear.
Will you wear green, Jenny Jenkins?
No, I won't wear green, it's the color of a bean.

Chorus

Will you wear orange,
Oh my dear, oh my dear.
Will you wear orange, Jenny Jenkins?
No I won’t wear orange cause nothing rhymes with orange.

Chorus

Sleeping Bunnies
See the little bunnies sleeping till it’s nearly noon
Come and let us gently wake them with a merry tune
Oh so still, are they ill?

Wake up soon...
Hop little bunnies, hop, hop, hop (x4)
Hop, hop, hop
Hop, hop, hop!

Linger
I’d like to linger, Mm, mm
A little longer, Mm, mm
A little longer here with you, Mm, mm

It’s such a perfect day,
Mm, mm
How I wish I could stay,
Mm, mm

And keep on singing songs with you, Mm, mm
And as they days go by,
Mm, mm
I’ll think of you and sigh,
Mm, mm
This is good-day and not goodbye, Mm, mm
So sing from your house,
Mm, mm
And I will sing from mine,
Mm, mm
Voices together until next time, Mm, mm

Final Tip until Next Time!
Children are copying what you do and say - make sure the things you’re showing them are things you want repeated! Toddlers value mastery over novelty; make sure to repeat things with toddlers. Start by using this song sheet!