Fingerplays and Songs

**Little Arabella Miller** presented by Jbrary

Little Arabella Miller had a fuzzy caterpillar. First it crawled upon her mother, then upon her baby brother. They said Arabella Miller "put away that caterpillar."

Little Arabella Miller had a fuzzy caterpillar. First it crawled upon her brother, then upon her dear grandmother. Gran said Arabella Miller "How I love your caterpillar."

**Here Is a Beehive** presented by Toronto Public Library

Here is a beehive. But where are all of the bees? They're hidden inside where nobody sees. Shh! The bees are coming out of their hive. One, two, three, four, five.

Read Aloud Stories

As you enjoy these read aloud stories with your child, ask them open-ended questions about the stories. Open-ended questions help children to think more deeply about the world around them.

**Bumblebear** by Nadia Shireen

There’s a new bee at bee school, but this bee looks just like a bear! Will Norman eat all the honey or help save the day? Why did Amelia bee think that Norman was not a bee? Why did the other bees think he was a bee? Do you like how the story ended? Why?

**Please Please the Bees** by Gerald Kelley

Benedict the bear has a sweet deal with the bees. They give him honey and he gives them...well, what does he give them? Do you think that Benedict was very nice to the bees at the beginning of the story? What did he do to change? Why are the bees and Benedict happier now?

**The Very Hungry Caterpillar** by Eric Carle

Learn all about the life cycle of a butterfly with this classic story. Can you remember what the caterpillar ate on each day? Why do you think he needed to eat so much?

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Fun Activities To Try At Home!

Explore nature in your own backyard! Take a walk around your neighborhood and try to find some of these insects -

- Ant
- Dragonfly
- Bee
- Butterfly
- Earthworm
- Fly

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