

Families

These are a few of the books that you can find at the Pulaski County Libraries to share with your children. You can also search the catalog at www.pclibs.org

Carle, Eric – Does A Kangaroo Have a Mother, Too?

Tafari, Nancy – Have You Seen My Duckling?

Carle, Eric – Papa, Please Get the Moon for Me

Numeroff, Laura – What Mommies Do Best

Williams, Suzanne – Mommy Doesn't Know My Name

Williams, Mo – Knuffle Bunny

Williams, Vera - "More More More," Said the Baby

5 Little Ducks

5 little ducks went out to play

Over the hills and far away

Mommy (or Daddy) duck went, "Quack, quack, quack"

And 4 little ducks came running back.

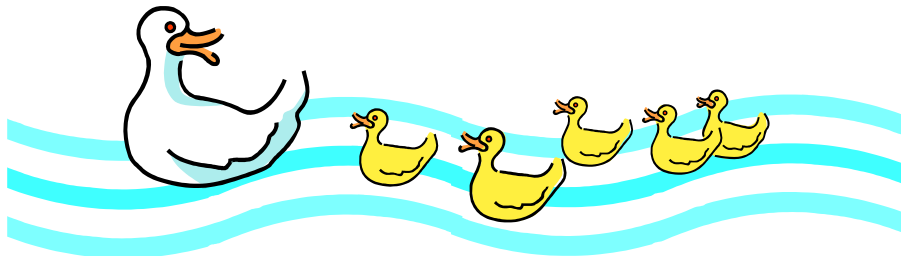
Continue with 4, 3, 2, and 1 little ducks went out to play. Then:

No little ducks went out to play

Over the hills and far away

Mommy duck went, "Quack, quack, quack"

And 5 little ducks came running back.



Our Family

Consecutively raise fingers of one hand beginning with the thumb.

This is the father, kind and true;
This is the mother who cares for you;
This is the brother so big and tall;
This is the sister who plays with her ball;
This is the baby, pet of them all.
See the whole family, big and small.

Names could be inserted to personalize the rhyme.



Mother's Knives & Forks

These are Mother's knives and forks
(fingers interlocked and pointing up)

This is Mother's table.

(reverse interlock & point fingers downward)

This is Mother's looking glass

(keep fingers interlocked & raise pointer fingers tip to tip)

And this is Baby's cradle.

(keep fingers interlocked, raise pointer & little finger tip to tip)

Create a family tree with your child. Let him draw pictures or make puppets of his parents, brothers and sisters, grandparents, aunts and uncles, pets, or whoever he wants to include in his family. Discuss how families can be comprised of different people and be large or small, all live in the same house or the same town or be spread out in different places.

Discuss animal families and see how many names for animal babies your child already knows. Dogs and puppies, cats and kittens, ducks and ducklings, cow and calf, etc.