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#### **Books for Toddlers:**

The Cake that Mack Ate by Rose Robart, © 1986. (FAVORITES, Robart)

Blue Chameleon by Emily Gravett, © 2010. (FAVORITES, Gravett)

Ten Little Caterpillars by Bill Martin Jr., © 2011. (CONCEPTS, Martin)

My Car by Byron Barton, © 2001. (GO, Barton)

Mama Cat Has Three Kittens, © 1998. (FAVORITES, Fleming)

Posy by Linda Newberry, © 2008. (NATURE, Newbery)

#### **Books for Preschoolers:**

Peter's Chair by Ezra Jack Keats, © 1967. (FAVORITES, Keats)

The Caterpillar and the Polliwog by Jack Kent, © 1982. (FAVORITES, Kent)

Nighty-Night, Cooper by Laura Numeroff, © 2013. (FAVORITES, Numeroff)

The Wolf's Chicken Stew by Keiko Kasza, © 1987. (FAVORITES, Kasza)

Caps for Sale by Esphyr Slobodkina, © 1968. (FAVORITES, Slobodkina)

The Carrot Seed by Ruth Krauss, © 1973. (FAVORITES, Krauss)

Crocopotamus: Mix and Match the Wild Animals by Mary Murphy, © 2016. (CONCEPTS,

Murphy)

What Can a Crane Pick Up? by Rebecca Kai Dotlich, © 2012. (GO, Dotlich)

Construction by Sally Sutton, ©2014. (GO, Sutton)

Bunny Cakes by Rosemary Wells, © 1997. (CHARACTERS, Wells)

The Cow Who Clucked by Denise Fleming, © 2006. (FAVORITES, Fleming)

Little Cloud by Eric Carle, © 1996. (FAVORITES, Carle)



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### **School-Age Extension:**

The Cow That Laid an Egg by Andy Cutbill, © 2006. (FAVORITES, Cutbill)

### **Fingerplays & Songs**

#### This Little Cow

This little cow eats grass.

(Hold up one hand, fingers erect, bend down one finger)

This little cow eats hay.

(Bend down another finger)

This little cow drinks water.

(Bend down another finger)

And this little cow does nothing.

(Bend down another finger)

But lie and sleep all day.

(From: http://www.preschooleducation.com/sfarm.shtml)

#### **Five Cats**

Five little cats standing in a row, (Hold up five fingers.)

They nod their heads to the children so. (Bend fingers.)

They run to the left; they run to the right. (Run fingers to the left and then to the right.)

They stand up and stretch in the bright sunlight. (Stretch fingers out tall.)

Along comes a dog who's in for some fun. (Hold up one finger from opposite hand.)

ME-OW! See those little cats run! (Let fingers run.)

(From: http://www.stepbystepcc.com/animals/cats.html)



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#### At the Car Wash

One little car is in the car wash line,

Covered with mud and dirt and grime,

He went in the car wash – scrub, scrub!

Splash, splash, and rub, rub, rub.

When he came out he was clean and dry.

The happy little car said, "Thanks! Goodbye!"

(From: https://www.pinterest.com/explore/preschool-poems/)

#### **STAFF ONLY**

#### **Big Book:**

Caps for Sale

#### Flannel Boards:

Colorful Crown

The Cow with a Bee in Her Bonnet

Carrots in My Garden

My Kitten's Mittens

#### **Prop Stories:**

Ridin' in the Car Song (Family Favorites CD) w/rhythm sticks

#### **Movies:**

Cats and Dogs



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Click, Clack, Moo – Cows that Type
Cloudette
Apps:
Color Clues
Stamps:
Cherries
Car
Cat
Craft:
Use the letter "C" printouts included in the kit and encourage children to make letter "C" art.
Any art supplies will do!

### Play Literacy:

Show the foam letter "C" and have the kids help describe the shape. Have kids use their magic writing finger to try writing the letter "C" in the air. At the end of storytime, tape paper to the wall - and put out crayons and markers - and encourage kids to try writing the letter "C" – or do any kind of play writing they want!

#### **Early Learning Tip:**

Scribbling, drawing and "play" writing all help develop fine motor skills your child needs for writing letters and words!



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