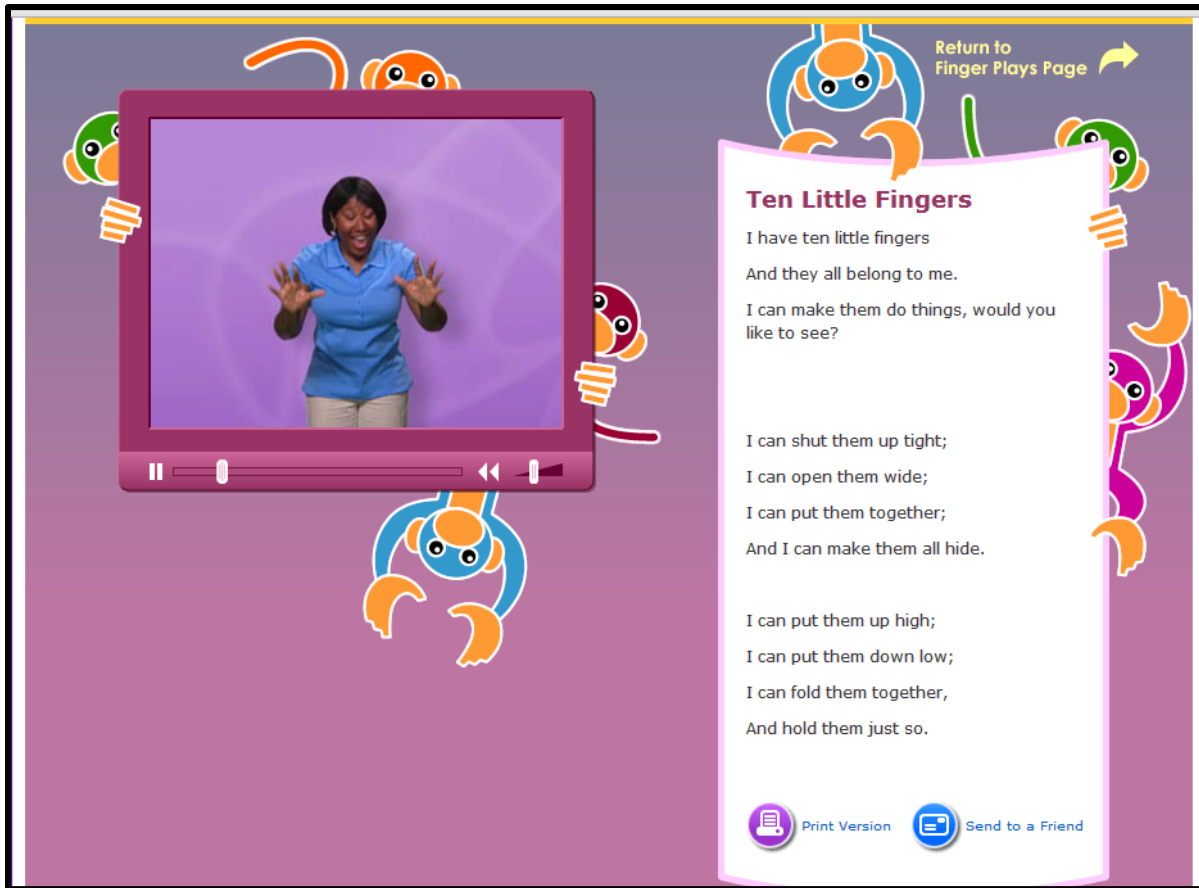


Fingerplays



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Ten Little Fingers

I have ten little fingers
And they all belong to me.
I can make them do things, would you like to see?

I can shut them up tight;
I can open them wide;
I can put them together;
And I can make them all hide.

I can put them up high;
I can put them down low;
I can fold them together,
And hold them just so.

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<http://www.rif.org/kids/leadingtoreading/en/babies-toddlers/finger-plays.htm>

Play Dough Recipe

1 cup white flour
1/2 cup salt
2 tablespoon cream of tartar (find it in the spice section)
1 tablespoon oil
1 cup water
food coloring

Mix first 4 ingredients in a pan. Add water and mix well. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, for 3 – 5 minutes. Dough will become difficult to stir and form a “clump”. Remove from stove and knead for 5 minutes—add food coloring during kneading process. Play dough will keep for a long time stored in a covered plastic container or plastic sandwich bag.

This amount of play dough this recipe produced was perfect. Each of my 4 kids received a huge clump of play dough, so there was a lot to share.

<http://mommyfootprint.com/the-perfect-home-made-play-dough-recipe/>

Write

Writing Readiness Activities

- play dough play
- stringing/lacing beads
- using a small hole puncher
- children's scissors
- using broad tip markers
- connecting stamps to making letters/letter recognition
- finger painting
- using Crayola Pip Squeak Markers (smaller)
- drawing/writing with broken pieces of chalk, crayon, golf pencils
- clothespin game with puffballs
- fingerplays
- letter and word recognition games (See: http://www.hubbardscupboard.org/Name_Activities_by_Difficulty.PDF)
- drawing vertical and horizontal lines and circles
- authentic writing opportunities: making grocery lists, signing cards for relatives, labeling pictures, writing a letter to mom/dad/grandparents.

