



# Fairies, Gnomes and Unicorns

## STORYTIME THOUGHTS

When reciting the rhymes in the storytime have fun with the rhyming words, (rhyming helps promote phonological awareness).

Rhyming words intrigue and increases a child's imagination while expanding their vocabulary.

### EBOOKS & AUDIOBOOKS

#### Hoopla

- Ten Little Butterflies  
by Dana McKellar
- No, No, Gnome  
by Ashley Anstee
- How to Catch a Unicorn  
by Adam Wallace

### SONGS & RHYMES

- [Five Little Fairies](#)
- [Fairies in the Garden!](#)
- [Unicorn Song](#)
- [I am a Unicorn](#)

### ACTIVITIES & GAMES

#### Unicorn, Unicorn, Gnome

All the players, except the first person who is It, sit in a circle. The person who is It walks around the circle, tapping each player on the head and saying "unicorn" until It decides to tap someone on the head and says "gnome". That person becomes the gnome and runs after It. The gnome runs around the circle and tries to catch It before It can reach the Gnome's empty seat. If It successfully reaches the Gnome's empty seat without being tagged, It sits in the seat and the gnome is the new It.

### SONGS & RHYMES LYRICS

#### Have You Ever Seen a Fairy

[sung to the tune of tune of "Have You Ever Seen a Lassie?"]

Have you ever seen a fairy,  
A fairy, a fairy?  
Have you ever see a fairy,  
Fly this way and that way?  
Fly this way and that way?  
Have you ever see a fairy?  
Fly this way and that.

#### Five Little Unicorns

Five little unicorns playing in the sun.  
The first one said, "I'm having lots of fun."  
The second one said, "See my shiny horn."  
The third one said, "Of course, you're a unicorn."  
The fourth one said, "I am white as can be."  
The fifth one said, "So are we, you know."

## SONGS & RHYMES LYRICS CONT.

### Open Shut Them

*[start with your hands closed in fists]*  
Open, Shut Them  
*[open hands & then shut them into fists again]*  
Open, Shut Them  
*[open hands & then shut them into fists again]*  
Give a little clap, clap, clap *[clap hands]*  
Open, Shut Them  
*[open hands & then shut them into fists again]*  
Open, Shut Them  
*[open hands & then shut them into fists again]*  
Put them in your lap, lap, lap  
*[lay them in your lap]*  
Creep Them, Crawl Them, Creep Them, Crawl Them  
Right up to your chin, chin, chin  
*[trail your fingers up to your chin]*  
Open wide your little mouth  
*[open up your mouth]*  
But do not let them in!  
*[hide your hands behind your back]*  
Along comes a dog, looking for some fun  
*[fingers of one hand resting on thumb, move hand towards other hand]*

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### This is My Right Hand

This is my right hand,  
I'll raise it up high. *[right hand up]*

This is my left hand  
I'll touch the sky. *[left hand up]*

Right hand, *[show right palm]*  
Left hand *[show left palm]*

Roll them around *[roll hands]*  
Right hand, *[show palm]*

Left hand *[show palm]*  
Pound, pound, pound! *[pound fists together]*

### Five Little Fairies

Five little fairies jumping on the bed,  
One jumped high and bumped her head,  
Mama called the doctor and the doctor said,  
"No more fairies jumping on the bed!"

Four little fairies jumping on the bed,  
One jumped high and bumped her head,  
Mama called the doctor and the doctor said,  
"No more fairies jumping on the bed!"

Three little fairies jumping on the bed,  
One jumped high and bumped her head,  
Mama called the doctor and the doctor said,  
"No more fairies jumping on the bed!"

Two little fairies jumping on the bed,  
One jumped high and bumped her head,  
Mama called the doctor and the doctor said,  
"No more fairies jumping on the bed!"

One little fairy jumping on the bed,  
She jumped high and bumped her head,  
Mama called the doctor and the doctor said,  
"No more fairies jumping on the bed!"

Now there are no little fairies jumping on the bed,  
No one jumped high and bumped her head,  
Mama called the doctor and the doctor said,  
"Put those fairies right back to bed!"

## SONGS & RHYMES LYRICS CONT.

### Two Little Gnomes

[this is a modification of “Two Little Blackbirds”]

Two little garden gnomes sitting on a leaf  
[start with your two pointer fingers out in front]

Come back Kurt.  
[have one finger “run” back to your front]

One named Kurt, the other named Keith.  
[lift each finger as you say the gnomes names]

Come back Keith.  
[have the other finger “run” back to your front so both are now back in front of you]

Run away Kurt.  
[have one finger “run” behind your back]

Run away Keith.  
[have the other finger “run” behind your back so that both are now hidden behind your back]

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## SAMPLE STORYTIME

This is a sample of how you could organize the books, songs, & rhymes, but please do what feels right for you and your little one!

**Starting Song:** [We Clap and Sing Hello](#)

**Rhyme/Song:** Open, Shut Them

**Book One:** Ten Little Butterflies by Dana McKellar

**Rhyme/Song:** Have You Ever Seen a Fairy

**Rhyme/Song:** Five Little Fairies Jumping on the Bed

**Book Two:** No, No, Gnome by Ashley Anstee

**Rhyme/Song:** Two Little Garden Gnomes

**Book Three:** How to Catch a Unicorn by Adam Wallace

**Rhyme/Song:** Five Little Unicorns

**Activity/Game:** Unicorn, Unicorn...Gnome!

**Rhyme/Song:** This is My Right Hand

**Final Song:** [We Clap Goodbye Like This](#)

**After Storytime Activity/Game:** [Make a Magic Wand!](#)