

Madison Public Library's  
**Storytime Starters**

**Rock 'n' Roll**

**Books for Toddlers:**

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*The Seals on the Bus* by Lenny Hort, 2000. (RHYMES Hort)

**Books for Preschoolers:**

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*Baby Brains Superstar* by Simon James, 2005. (STORIES James)

*Gus & Me* by Keith Richards, 2014. (BK/CD RICHARDS)

*Little Pig Joins the Band* by David Hyde Costello, 2011. (COSTELLO 2013.06)

*Music Is* by Lloyd Moss, 2003. (STORIES Moss)

*The Pete's Go Marching* by James Dean, 2018. (CHARACTERS Pete the Cat)

*Play This Book* by Jessica Young, 2018. (FAVORITES Young)

*Punk Farm* by Jarrett J. Krosoczka, 2005. (ANIMALS Krosoczka)

*Punk Farm on Tour* by Jarrett J. Krosoczka, 2007. (ANIMALS Krosoczka)

*Rosie Raccoon's Rock and Roll Raft* by Barbara deRupertis, 2011. (DERUBERTIS)

*Violet's Music* by Angela Johnson, 2004. (GROWING Johnson)

**School-Age Extension:**

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*Arthur, It's Only Rock 'n' Roll* by Marc Brown, 2002. (CHARACTERS Brown)

*Elvis: The Story of the Rock and Roll King* by Bonnie Christensen, 2015. (+921 Presley)

*Rock 'n' Roll Music* by Kate Riggs, 2008. (+781.66 RIG)

*Rock 'n' Roll Soul* by Susan Verde, 2018. (ADVANCED Verde)

*Shake, Rattle, & Roll* by Holly George-Warren, 2011. (+781. 660922G293s)

**Fingerplays & Songs :**

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**Old McDonald (Also a flannel story)**

E-I-E-I-O

Old MACDONALD had a farm

With a moo moo here

E-I-E-I-O

And a moo moo there

And on his farm he had a cow

Here a moo, there a moo



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Everywhere a moo moo  
Old MacDonald had a farm  
E-I-E-I-O

(From: <https://kidsongs.com/lyrics/old-macdonald-had-a-farm.html>)

Old MACDONALD had a farm  
E-I-E-I-O  
And on his farm he had a pig  
E-I-E-I-O  
With a oink oink here  
And a oink oink there  
Here a oink, there a oink  
Everywhere a oink oink  
Old MacDonald had a farm  
E-I-E-I-O

**The Wheels on the Bus**

The wheels on the bus go round and round  
Round and round, round and round  
The wheels on the bus go round and round  
All through the town.  
(Roll hands over each other)

Old MACDONALD had a farm  
E-I-E-I-O  
And on his farm he had a duck  
E-I-E-I-O  
With a quack quack here  
And a quack quack there  
Here a quack, there a quack  
Everywhere a quack quack  
Old MacDonald had a farm  
E-I-E-I-OOOOOOOO.....

The wipers on the bus go "Swish, swish, swish..."  
(Put arms together in front of you and 'swish' like windshield wipers)

The door on the bus goes open and shut...  
(Cover eyes with hands on 'shut' and uncover them on 'open')

The horn on the bus goes "Beep, beep, beep..."

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(Pretend to honk horn)

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The baby on the bus says, "Wah, wah,  
wah!...

(Fisted hands in front of eyes and rub  
them like baby crying)

The people on the bus say, "Shh, shh,  
shh,

Shh, shh, shh, shh, shh, shh"

The people on the bus say, "Shh, shh,  
shh"

All through the town.

(Put pointer finger to mouth to 'shhh')

The mommy on the bus says, "I love  
you,

I love you, I love you"

The daddy on the bus says, "I love you,  
too"

All through the town.

(Point to self on 'I', right hand over heart  
on 'love', and point to other on 'you')

(From:

<https://www.kididdles.com/lyrics/b01>

**Rock Around the Clock by Bill Haley**

One, Two, Three O'clock, Four O'clock  
rock

Five, Six, Seven O'clock, Eight O'clock  
rock

Nine, Ten, Eleven O'clock, Twelve  
O'clock rock

We're gonna rock around the clock  
tonight

Put your glad rags on and join me hon'

We'll have some fun when the clock  
strikes one

Chorus:

We're gonna rock around the clock  
tonight

We're gonna rock, rock, rock, 'till broad  
daylight

We're gonna rock around the clock  
tonight

When the clock strikes two, three and



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If the band slows down we'll yell for  
more

Chorus:

When the chimes ring five, six, and  
seven

We'll be right in seventh heaven

Chorus:

When it's eight, nine, ten, eleven too  
I'll be goin' strong and so will you

Chorus:

When the clock strikes twelve we'll cool  
off then

Start rockin' 'round the clock again

(From: <https://genius.com/Bill-haley-rock-around-the-clock-lyrics>)

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### STAFF ONLY

**Big Book:** The Bremen Town Musicians

**Flannel Boards:** Let's Sing a Lullaby with the Brave Cowboy, Old MacDonald, The Singing Giant, One Violin/One Guitar

**Prop Stories:** Five Little Monkeys

**Movies:** Music Comes Alive!

**Stamps:** Music notes, 1 big, one small

**Craft:** Have kids color and decorate a guitar template.

**Early Learning Tip:** Sing! Most songs have a different note for each syllable. This helps children break down words so that they can hear the individual sounds in a word.