



***Count the Monkeys* by Mac Barnett**

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Flannel Board:

Five Little Monkeys

Five little monkeys
Swinging in a tree
Teasing Mr. Crocodile
“You can’t catch me!”
Up comes Mr. Crocodile quiet as can be.
Snap!
(Clap hands sharply)
Oh no! Where is she?

Rhymes:

Itsy Bitsy Monkey

The itsy bitsy monkey climbed up the coconut tree
[Have hands climb.]
Down came a coconut that bopped him on the knee
[Drop fist from over head to hit yourself on the knee.]
Along came his Mama, who kissed away the pain
[Kiss your fist.]
Then the itsy bitsy monkey climbed up the tree again
[Climb hands again -having kids stretch as high as they can reach.]

Monkey See, Monkey Do

The monkey stomps, stomps, stomps his feet
The monkey stomps, stomps, stomps his feet

Monkey see, monkey do
The monkey does the same as you!
The monkey claps, claps, claps his hands
The monkey claps, claps, claps his hands
Monkey see, monkey do
The monkey does the same as you!
The monkey covers, covers, covers his eyes
The monkey covers, covers, covers his eyes
Monkey see, monkey do
The monkey does the same as you!
The monkey jumps, jumps, jumps up and down
The monkey jumps, jumps, jumps up and down
Monkey see, monkey do
The monkey does the same as you!
Add additional verses (sits down, stands up, turns around, etc.)

Little Monkeys

Little monkeys, swinging in the tree
(join hands with others, and swing arms up and down)
All hold hands and swing with me
Swing up high & swing down low
Swing in the tree, now don't let go!
Swing, swing, like I do,
Swing like monkeys in the zoo.

Songs:

Pop Goes the Weasel

All around the mulberry bush (turn in circle)
The monkey chased the weasel (make grabbing motions)
The monkey thought 'twas all in fun (shake one finger)
Pop! (clap hands) goes the weasel.

Monkeys and the Alligator – Dr. Jean and Friends

Activities:

Monkey See – Monkey Do

Play “Monkey See - Monkey Do”: have your child copy your movements (hopping, tip-toe, marching, clapping, waving, etc.) – let your child be the leader too.

Bendable Monkey



Need: Monkey body, scissors, markers or crayons, glue, 3 pipe cleaners.

Directions: Color the front and back of your monkey. Sandwich the pipe cleaners between front and back of body. Glue the pipe cleaners in an “X” on the back of the body. Glue the top of the body over the top of the pipe cleaners. Turn your monkey around and glue a smaller piece of pipe cleaner on the bottom to make a tail. Once the glue is dry, you can bend and shape your pipe cleaners into arms, legs and a tail.

Make your monkey happy by using a small piece of yellow pipe cleaner to make him a banana!

