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- Sing lullabies and nursery rhymes.
- Sing and dance with your child.
- Clap hands, stomp feet or gently bounce your child to the beat of words in songs.
- Use familiar tunes with new words about what your child is doing or seeing.

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