



Fall into Rhymes



Infants to school-age children enjoy and learn with rhymes. Mem Fox tells us in “Reading Magic” that **children who can say 8 rhymes by 4 years of age will likely be among the best readers by the time they are 8 years old.**

Why? Rhymes help children hear similarities and differences in words. Children need this ability for matching sounds in words with specific letters or letter combinations. Rhymes help children learn reading and writing skills!

Ten Red Apples

Use hands and fingers to act out rhyme and count.

Ten red apples growing on a tree;
Five for you and five for me.
Let me shake the tree just so,
And ten red apples fall down below:
One, two, three, four five,
Six, seven, eight, nine, ten!



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