



Rhymes for Modern Times

Traditional Rhymes with a twist:

Rock a bye baby in the tree top
When the wind blows the cradle will rock
When the birds sing the baby will smile
And fall asleep happy in a short while.

Star light, star bright,
First start I see tonight.
I wish I may, I wish I might,
Keep my jammies dry all night!

Wee Willie Winkie ran down all the stairs,
Hugging a blanket and two teddy bears.
“I can’t fall asleep,” he cried as he ran.
“Look under my bed! There’s a boogeyman!”

His father carried him up to his room.
He turned on the light,
Then searched for a broom.
He swept out some stuff from under the bed -
Two slippers, a bone, and Willie’s dog, Fred.

January 27th is Family Literacy Day!

Parents and family
members impact children’s
learning every time they
sing a song, read a book or
say a rhyme together.



The rhythm and lilt of rhymes and songs help babies feel and hear syllables in words. This helps them develop language skills.

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