

Luck O' The Irish

Happy St. Patrick's Day

(Hold up one finger at a time as you say the rhyme)

Five little leprechauns dressed in green
They're the happiest I've ever seen.
This leprechaun has a big gold ring.
This leprechaun has a song to sing.
This leprechaun wears a funny wig.
This leprechaun likes to dance a jig.
This leprechaun nods his head to say,
"We wish you a happy St. Patrick's Day!"



Leprechauns, magical guardians of treasure, have something in common with parents. Parents too have valuable treasure in their care — their children. On St. Patrick's Day, have fun together with some of these ideas.

How can you help?

With your child:

Use these rhymes and activities to learn about sequence, counting, and colour.

Does your child know what a jig is? Can you listen to an Irish tune and dance to the music?

Read stories about leprechauns and fairies.

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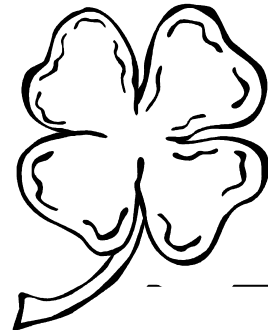
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Green

A colour sorting rhyme

My favourite colour is green, I think,
But yellow is pretty too.
It's one or the other unless I discover,
I'm suddenly partial to blue!

I have a little shamrock,
It's green as green can be.
Watch me as I count the leaves.
One, two, three. (count on fingers.)



Shamrock Surprise Pudding

Spoon ready-made vanilla pudding into a small bowl. Add one drop of yellow food colouring and one drop of blue. Have your child stir the pudding with a spoon. What happens? Shamrock pudding is ready to eat!

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