

# Pumpkin Count

**Five little pumpkins** sitting on a gate;  
The first one said, "Oh my, it's  
getting late!"  
The second one said, "There are  
witches in the air!"  
The third one said, "But we don't  
care."  
The fourth one said, "Let's run and  
run and run."  
The fifth one said, "I'm ready for  
some fun!"  
"Ooooh ooooh," went the wind and out  
went the light,  
And five little pumpkins rolled out of  
sight.



*Five Little Pumpkins*  
is a fun rhyme to  
help children learn  
about numbers as  
well as sequencing  
(1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup>).

## More Learning Ideas

Change this rhyme to "Five little white ghosts..." or "Five little black cats sitting on a gate." Are there any words in the rhyme that your child thinks should be changed when it is about ghosts or cats?

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## Halloween Character Puppets:

Cut egg cartons into single sections. Use five sections and turn upside down. Cut pumpkins from this paper and glue one onto each egg carton section. Your child now has pumpkin puppets to use with this rhyme.

Cut white ghosts from white paper and glue onto egg carton sections.

Or draw cat faces onto the egg carton sections to change the characters in the rhyme.



## Halloween books worth a look:

### **Five Little Pumpkins**

by Iris Van Rhybach

### **The Little Old Lady Who Was Not Afraid of Anything**

by Linda Williams

### **Big Pumpkin**

by Erica Silverman



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