**Bunnies**

**Five Little Bunnies [fingerplay]**

Hippety hop and hippety hay,
Five little bunnies went out to play.
Hippety hop and hippety hay,
One little bunny hopped away.

**Verses: count down to none on your fingers**

Hippety hop and hippety hay,
No more bunnies are playing today,
Hippety hop and hippety hay,
I hope they come back another day.

**Here is a Bunny [fingerplay]**

Here is a bunny with ears so funny [hold up index and middle fingers for ears]
And here is his hole in the ground [make a circle with the other hand]
At the first sound he hears, he pricks up his ears [extend two fingers]
And hops in the hole in the ground [fingers jump into the hole]

**Here Comes a Bunny [action rhyme]**

Here comes a bunny, hippity hop [squat down and hop],
With ears so funny, flippity flop [put index fingers on sides of head and wiggle them]
When in danger he sniffity sniffs [wiggle nose]
Then hides in his hole -- jiffity-jiff! [place hands over head to hide]
Big Brown Rabbit [action rhyme]

Big brown rabbit is
Fat, fat, fat. [hold arms out around belly]

His soft little paws go
Pat, pat, pat. [move hands like paws]

His fluffy pink ears go
Flop, flop, flop. [put index fingers on sides of head and wiggle them]

When big brown rabbit runs, he goes
Hop, hop, hop! [squat down and hop]

Hop With Me
[Tune: "Row, Row, Row Your Boat"]

Hop, hop, hop along,
Or bounce on someone’s knee,
Higher and higher and higher and higher,
Bunny-hop with me!

If You're Hoppy And You Know It
[Tune: "If You're Happy and You Know It"]

If you're hoppy and you know it, hop around,
If you're hoppy and you know it, hop around,
If you're hoppy and you know it,
And you really want to show it,
If you're hoppy and you know it, hop around!

[Verses: wiggle your tail; eat a carrot; wiggle your nose]

"At The Hop" by Danny and the Juniors, (1958)

Note: It can be tempting, when making a craft or working on an art project to do the craft yourself instead of allowing your child to try, struggle, (and sometimes fail) to make the craft 'correctly.'

However, it is the PROCESS, not the PRODUCT that is most important part of making something with a child. Have fun and don't worry about perfection!

Popsicle Stick Bunny Nose

Materials:
- White pipe cleaners
- White pom-poms (large)
- Pink pom-pom (small)
- Popsicle stick
- White paper/cardstock
- Glue
- Scissors
- Black pen/marker

Help your child(ren) to draw two bunny teeth on cardstock, cut out, and glue to top of popsicle stick.

Cut pipe cleaners into 2in. pieces. Glue three to each side of top of popsicle stick, above teeth.

Finish by gluing two white pom-poms and one pink pom-pom on top of the pipe cleaner 'whiskers.'

Now, you have a bunny nose to use in imaginative play!

Do some research with your child(ren) on what wild rabbits like to eat. Do you and your family eat any of the same foods?

What other kinds of animals make their homes underground? What are the names for those structures? Example: A rabbit's house is called a "burrow." A group of burrows is called a "warren."