Jump Start Storytime Rhymes and Songs

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Opening Songs

- It's Time for Storytime
  We'll read and romp and rhyme.
  Time for books, time for songs, time to play along.
  Let's clap for storytime.
  We'll read and romp and rhyme.
  Time to hear, time to see, fun for you and me.
  Read, Rhyme, and Romp, p. 128-129

- Here We Are at Storytime, at Storytime, at Storytime.
  Here we are at storytime, at storytime today.
  We'll read books and sing songs,
  We'll hear rhymes and play along.
  Here we are at storytime, at storytime, Hooray!
  Tune: The More We Get Together

- Patty cake, patty cake, story time.
  Read me a book, tell me a rhyme.
  Patty cake, patty cake, come along.
  Read me a book, sing me a song.
  Patty cake, patty cake, everyone.
  Read me a book, let's have fun!
  Tune: Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star

Story Songs

- Storytime is here. Give a great big cheer. Hooray!
  Now, quietly, listen and see. Storytime is here.
  Tune: There Ain't No Bugs On Me

- My ears are ready to hear. *(clap, clap)*
  My eyes are ready to see. *(clap, clap)*
  My hands will clap, then in my lap,
  It's storytime for me.
  Tune: Read, Rhyme and Romp, p. 132

- It's time to sit. *(audience repeats)*
  It's time to see. *(audience repeats)*
  It's time to listen *(audience repeats)*
  To a good story. *(audience repeats)*
  So I'll clap my hands *(audience repeats)*
  Then quiet as can be *(audience repeats)*
  I'll listen close *(audience repeats)*
  To a good story. *(audience repeats)*
  Tune: Read, Rhyme, and Romp, p. 132

Movement songs/rhymes

- Reach up, touch down.
  Stamp your feet and turn around.
  Reach up, touch down.
  Stamp your feet and sit back down.
  Tune: Read, Rhyme and Romp, p. 135-136

  5 little froggies sitting on a well.
  One leaned over and in he fell. AAAH! SPLASH!
  And the froggies jumped high, and the froggies jumped low.
  And the froggies jumped everywhere, to and fro!
  4…3…2…1…

  Monkey one, monkey two.
  Monkey see, monkey do.

This is me, from my head to my toes.
I have 2 eyes and 1 little nose. HONK!
I can shake my body, I can stamp my feet.
From my head to my toes, I'm really neat! *(hug self*

The Bag

Here's my bag, with something inside.
What could it be?
I'll open it up so you can look.
Tell me what you see.
Tune: Read, Rhyme and Romp, p. 111

Cat, cat, rhymes with rat. *(pounce like a cat)*
Cat, cat, rhymes with bat.
Cat, cat, rhymes with sat.
What will rhyme with frog?
Frog, frog, rhymes with hog. *(jump like frog)*
Frog, frog, rhymes with dog.
Frog, frog, rhymes with log.
What will rhyme with fish?
Tune: Bumping Up and Down in My Little Red Wagon

- Letter of the Day
  tune: Deck the Halls)
  I love to sing the letter L,, La la la la la, la la la la.
  I love the things that L can tell,
  La la la la la, la la la la.
  Learn to leap *(jump)* and lift your leg, *(lift leg)*
  La la la, la la la, la la la.
  I love to sing the letter L,
  La la la la la, la la la la.
  I love to sing the letter B….
  I love the way it plays with me….
  Bend my bones *(bend knees and arms)* and take a bow *(bow)*

Math Minute

6 red apples in the apple tree.
A squirrel took one, that leaves 5 for me.
5 red apples in the apple tree,
A squirrel took 3,That leaves 2 for me.
2 red apples in the apple tree,
A squirrel brought 1 back, That leaves 3 for me.
3 red apples in the apple tree,
A squirrel brought back 2, That leaves 5 for me.
5 red apples in the apple tree,
A squirrel ate them all. That leaves none for me.

1 little cloud, sailing in the blue.
Along comes another one, now there are 2.
2 clouds coming, now there's more.
Help me count, 1, 2, 3, 4.
1 cloud floats away, happily.
How many left? 1, 2, 3.
Here come 3 to join the mix.
How many now? 1-2-3-4-5-6.
5 float away, to visit the sun.
Now all we have is little cloud ONE!

Tune: Oh, My Darling Clementine
1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10
Come count with me.
We will count cuddly kittens,
It's as easy as can be.

Washing Machine (matching, colors)
Reach into the washing machine,
Pull out a sock, bright and clean.
Tune: Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star

Flannelboards

Who will hatch from the little blue egg, little blue egg, little blue egg?
Who will hatch from the little blue egg,
And it rhymes with stick.
Tune: Mary Had a Little Lamb

There was a man made of food, made of food, made of food.
There was a man made of food, and his name was Flip flap Jack.
And he danced upon the table, the table, the table.
He danced upon the table, and his name was Flip Flap Jack.
His head was made of a waffle….

Tickles and Bounces

Merry-go-round, merry-go-round,
We go riding all around.
First we're up, then we're down
We go riding all around.

Washing in the washing machine *(jog child on knees)*
Washing round and round *(circle knees)*
Washing in the washing machine *(jog)*
Washing up and down. *(lift child up, then down)*

As I was walking down the street, down the street, down the street,
A very good friend I chanced to meet, hi ho hi ho hi ho.
Rig-a-jig-jig *(run)* and away we go, away we go, away we go,
Rig-a-jig-jig and away we go, hi ho hi ho hi ho.

Hickledy Pickledy Tickledy, too.
I'm gonna tickle, all over you!

A turtle creeps so very slow,
And where he'll stop, I do not know!

This is my worm, all wiggly and thin.
This is my worm, to tickle your chin!

Science Spot

Who?(*Tune of Bumping Up and Down in My Little Red Wagon*)
Who can hop and is an amphibian?
Who says Ribbit, and is an amphibian?
Who eats flies, and is an amphibian?
You know it's a FROG!
Who carries his house and is a reptile?
Who moves very slow and is a reptile?
Who swims and walks and is a reptile?
You know it is a TURTLE!

Closing song

- We had our storytime.
  We read and romped and rhymed.
  Time for books, time for friends,
  But now it's at an end.
  Let's stand and jump just so.'
  Then stop and wiggle slow.
  Wave up high, wave down low,
  Now it's time to go.
  Read, Rhyme and Romp, p. 140

I'm glad you came to storytime (*We Wish You a Merry Christmas)*
I'm glad you came to storytime,
I'm glad you came to storytime,
I'm glad you came to storytime,
But now you must go.
Let's all stand and jump like crazy….
Let's all wave our hands up high,
Let's all wave our hands down low,
Let's all wave our hands to everyone,
And then you must go.