BOOK OF THE MONTH

Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star by Jane Cabrera – Cabrera has written her own version of this well-loved children’s poem. Read this book as a calming down or naptime story as it is very comforting and the pictures are incredibly sweet. Ages 2-5.

Since April is National Poetry Month, we wanted to focus not only on Mother Goose nursery rhymes but also on one of the most beloved children’s poems around – Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star!

Books featuring NURSERY RHYMES and The Star...

Skip Across the Ocean: Nursery Rhymes from Around the World by Floella Benjamin and Sheila Moxley – An around the world compilation of nursery rhymes from six different continents, these rhymes are written in their original language and also translated into English. Ages 3-6.
The Neighborhood Mother Goose by Nina Crews – Brilliant combination of traditional rhymes set in a modern and urban setting. Ages 4-8.
Mother Goose Numbers on the Loose by Leo and Diane Dillon – Great combination of counting and rhyme! Ages 4-8.
Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star by Sylvia Long – This version includes all the words from the classic poem. Ages 2-6.
Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star by Jerry Pinkney – A beautifully illustrated version of this poem. Ages 3-6.
My First Real Mother Goose Board Book illus. by Blanche Fisher Wright – Classic nursery rhymes in a board book format – great for reading aloud or saying aloud with babies. Ages 1-3.
This Little Piggy edited by Jane Yolen – Beautifully collected and illustrated version of many favorite classic rhymes. Ages 3-6.

SONGS OF THE MONTH

Here are a few songs that use the same tune as “Twinkle Twinkle Little Star”

ABC Song
A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I,
J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R,
S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z!
Now I know my ABCs
Next time won’t you sing
With me?

Baa Baa, Black Sheep
Baa, baa, black sheep, have you any wool?
Yes sir, yes sir, three bags full
One for the master, one for the dame,
One for the little boy/girl
Who lives down the lane.
Baa, baa, black sheep, have you any wool?
Yes sir, yes sir, three bags full
Music and Circle Time Fun

For more fun with the tune “Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star,” you can sing the book Brown Bear, Brown Bear What Do You See? by Bill Martin, Jr. to this tune and it fits perfectly. Also try singing together some of Bill Martin Jr.’s other books to this tune – Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What Do You Hear? And Panda Bear, Panda Bear, What Do You See? or sing the book along with the CD Playing Favorites by Greg and Steve – Brown Bear is the last track on this CD. Enjoy!

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