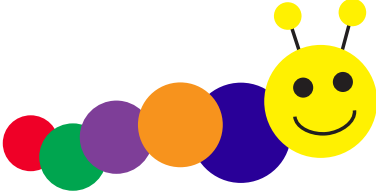


BABY BOOKS to GO



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Rhyming Fun

Tool Song

(Sing to the tune of "Here We Go 'Round the Mulberry Bush")

This is the way we pound our nails,
Pound our nails, pound our nails.
This is the way we pound our nails,
So early in the morning.

(For additional verses: saw the wood,
drill a hole, paint the walls, turn the screw, etc.)

Tools

Hands are a baby's first tool. Using their hands, babies learn to pick up and manipulate objects, creating sound, action, and excitement. Building on these early achievements, children learn to hold utensils, play with toys, draw, write, and make things. Foster this growth by giving your baby safe, simple tools and toys to manipulate and explore.

Ideas & Tips

- Share fingerplays with your child. For ideas, pick up a free copy of Wiggles, Tickles and Rhymes at the Library, or download at piercecountylibrary.org/kids-teens/parents-caregivers/wiggles-tickles-rhymes.htm.
- Bring out pots, containers and wooden or plastic utensils and let baby play. Consider keeping a low drawer or child-safe cabinet in the kitchen just for this purpose.
- Visit the Children's Museum of Tacoma for opportunities to play with different toys and tools. playtacoma.org
- As you drive or walk by a construction site, point out the tools and equipment being used.
- Play with your baby with a pail and shovel in a sandbox or soil.
- Help children build houses with empty cardboard boxes. Cut out windows and doors for peekaboo and other games.

More Books

- **Hands: Growing Up to Be an Artist** by Lois Ehlert
- **My House** by Bryon Barton
- **Tap Tap Bang Bang** by Emma Garcia
- **The Tool Box** by Anne Rockwell
- **Whose Tools?** by Toni Buzzeo

