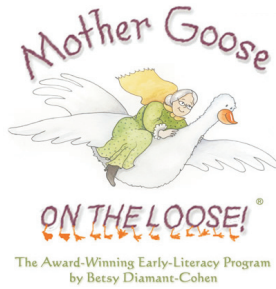


PROPS AND FUN ACTIVITIES FOR MOTHER GOOSE ON THE LOOSE™:



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- **Rhythm instruments**

- Maracas
- Sticks
- Tambourines
- Bells
- Sand blocks
- Castanets
- Rattles
- Xylophone (*give each child a turn to hit it -- stress **high and low***)
- Kitchen implements used as rhythm instruments

- **Tapping rhythm instruments in time to a song on tape**

- Fast and slow
- Up high and down low
- In a circle
- Loud and soft

- **Colored scarves**

- Playing peek-a-boo
- Using them as wash clothes
- Throwing them in the air and watching the colors coming down
- Blowing them up in the air
- Waving them around to music
- Dancing with them

- **Farm animals and their sounds**

- Puppets
- Plastic characters
- Books with illustrations of animals

- **Dancing with stuffed animals**

- **Bubbles**

- Blowing bubbles to classical music
- Blowing bubbles and asking the children to try and catch them

- **Playing a cassette tape and "dancing" to a song**

- **Using a parachute**

- As a tent
- To bounce balls on
- To run under

- **Rolling a beach ball back and forth**

- **Creating variations on a song, story, or finger play they already know**

- **Inviting children to come up to the flannel board and pull off a selected piece (with adult help, if needed)**

Positive Words:

Fine
Nice
Good
Great
Terrific
Stunning
Fantastic
Very good
Wonderful
Spectacular
Astounding
Super Duper
Mind-boggling
I'm proud of you
Out of this world
Extraordinary
Unbelievable
Good work
Incredible
Fabulous
Awesome
Splendid
Superb
Super
Brilliant
Excellent
Good job
Marvelous
Remarkable
Breathtaking
Awe-inspiring
Tremendous
Magnificent
Outstanding
Astonishing
First-class
First-rate
Amazing
Glorious
Grand