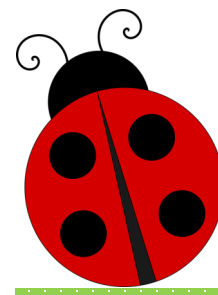


**Literacy Tip:**

**This week's literacy tip:** While the babies all want to see each other when they're here at baby storytime, when you do these rhymes at home have your baby face you. You'll be able to see how much your baby is enjoying the rhyme and your baby will see that you're having fun too! Your baby learns about a whole range of human emotion from studying your face. They also learn how language and conversation works from watching you talk.

**Resources:**

Library Village



# Baby Likes Bugs!



**Palatine Public Library  
Baby Storytime  
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## Opening Song: **Hello Baby**

Hello, baby! Hello, baby!  
Hello, baby! It's time to say hello!

Read Aloud: **Bumble Bugs and Elephants** by Margaret  
Wise Brown

## Action Rhyme: **"The Insects and Spiders"**

(Tune: The Wheels on the Bus)

The pretty butterflies fly up and down, up and down, up  
and down (*flap arms like wings*)  
The pretty butterflies fly up and down, all through the  
day! (*flap arms like wings*)  
The spiders in the tree all spin a web, spin a web, spin a  
web... (*roll arms*)  
The spiders in the tree all spin a web, all through the  
day! (*roll arms*)  
The crickets in the field hop up and down (3x)... (*bounce  
baby*)  
The bees in the hive go buzz, buzz, buzz. (3x).. (*fly with  
arms out*)

## Song: **The Itsy Bitsy Spider**

The itsy-bitsy spider went up the waterspout.  
Down came the rain and washed the spider out!  
Out came the sun and dried up all the rain,  
And the itsy-bitsy spider went up the spout again!

## Action Song: **Caterpillar, Caterpillar**

(Tune: Are You Sleeping?)

Caterpillar caterpillar (*Wiggle fingers of one hand*)  
In the tree, in the tree (*Spread arms like branches*)  
First you wiggle this way (*Wiggle hand left*)  
Then you wiggle that way (*Wiggle hands right*)  
Look at me, look at me (*Point to self*)

Read Aloud: **Ten Little Ladybugs** by Melanie Gerth

## Action Song: **Open Shut Them**

Open, shut them. Open, shut them. Give a little clap, clap,  
clap!  
Open, shut them. Open, shut them. Put them in your lap, lap,  
lap.  
Creep them, creep them, creep them, creep them, right up to  
your chin!  
Open wide your smiling mouth, but do not let them in!  
Creep them, creep them, creep them, creep them past your  
cheeks and chin.  
Open wide your smiling eyes. Peeking in, boo!  
Creep them, creep them, creep them, creep them, right down  
to your toes.  
Let them fly up in the air, and BOP you on the nose!  
*Repeat first two lines.*

## Nursery Rhyme: **Little Miss Muffet**

Little Miss Muffet sat on a tuffet,  
Eating her curds and whey.  
(*sign for "eat" - fingers to mouth*)  
Along came a spider who sat down beside her,  
(*walk fingers up baby's arm*)  
And frightened Miss Muffet away!  
(*tickle!*)

## Bounce Song: I'm a little beetle

(Tune: I'm a little teapot)

I'm a little beetle  
And I wiggle all day  
If you get too close to me,  
I'll FLY away!  
I'm a little bumblebee...  
I'm a little ladybug...

## Closing: **Goodbye Song**

Storytime is over now, over now, over now.  
Storytime is over now, now it's time to play!