

Baby Animals



Baby animals intrigue us with their playful ways and endearing appearance. They are also a source of great curiosity, wonder and delight for young children. In this series of Play School, we share close encounters with some different baby animals. We explore familiar animals like kittens, farm animals like piglets and unusual babies like lizards and stick insects. We look closely at the colour and texture of animal coverings, listen for the sounds baby animals make as well as explore the homes and ways baby animals are cared for. Baby animals show us lots of fun ways to play and explore and teach us how to take care.

Theme Notes

Series 320: Baby Animals

Episode 1



PRESENTERS

Teo Gebert & Emma Palmer

PIANIST

Peter Dasent

TOLD STORY

Diddle Says Yes

(A story told by the Play School Team)

FILM - THROUGH THE WINDOWS

Baby Rhino

(Play School, ABC)

FILM - STOP LOOK AND LISTEN

Puppy Bath

(Play School, ABC)

IDEAS FOR LATER

- Ask for some old clothes to play an animal dressing up game.
- Put on some dancing music and try dancing like different animals. Can you dance on all fours like a lamb or stomp and stomp like a rhino? How would a kitten dance?
- See what other animals you can make using bits and pieces from the washing basket and some pegs and hair ties.

SONGS

Animal Antics

Composer: Judith Keyzer and Peter Dasent

Publisher: Control / Origin

Warm Kitty Soft Kitty

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

The Wheels on the Bus

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

Twinkle Twinkle

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

The Black Cat

Composer: Mary Britton-Miller / M Bartholomew

Publisher: Silver Burdett

Oh, Where Has My Little Dog Gone

Composer: Septimus Winner

Publisher: Public Domain

Rags (My Little Puppy)

Composer: Elizabeth Deutsch

Publisher: Elizabeth Deutsch



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MAKE AND DO



How to Make A Mystery Bag Dress Up

You will need:

- Party hat
- Beanie
- Feather boa
- Old plastic sun glasses
- Other bits and pieces

Instructions

Place the objects in a cloth bag. Take turns in selecting two objects from the bag and dressing up as an animal. Have fun moving around and making the noises of your animal.



How to Make A Sausage Dog

You will need:

- Small brown hand towel
- Old stockings
- Hair tie
- Sticker eyes

Instructions

Roll the small towel for the body. Add the stockings to create the ears and attach using the hair tie. Add two stickers for eyes.

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Episode 2



PRESENTERS

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PIANIST

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BOOK STORY

Baby Animal Farm

Author / Illustrator: Karen Blair

Publisher: Walker Books Australia, 2012

FILM – THROUGH THE WINDOWS

Cow and Calf

(Play School, ABC)

FILM – STOP, LOOK AND LISTEN

Farm Life

(Play School, ABC)

IDEAS FOR LATER

- Visit the library to look for books about baby animals. Which baby animals do you like best?
- Find or make some mud for some muddy play.
- Play a game of animal pretend with a friend. Pretend to be an animal and see if your friend can guess. Try some mixed up options for more crazy fun.

SONGS

Heads and Shoulders

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

Five Little Ducks

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

I Went To Visit A Farm

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

The Chicken Dance

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

Fa La Na Na

Composer: Traditional (Italian)

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

Skip to My Lou

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing



MAKE AND DO



How To Make Pigs in Mud

You will need:

- Yoghurt containers
- Dish clothes
- Hair elastics
- Pipe cleaners
- Mud

Wrap the dish cloth around the yoghurt container and attach with a hair tie. Add a pipe cleaner tail and twist it to turn it into a curly piggy tail. Enjoy playing with your pigs in a muddy puddle!

Episode 3



PRESENTERS

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PIANIST

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BOOK STORY

Owl Babies

Author: Author: Martin Waddell

Illustrations: Patrick Benson

Publisher: Walker Books Ltd, 1992

FILM – THROUGH THE WINDOWS

Baby Koalas

(Play School, ABC)

FILM – STOP, LOOK, LISTEN

Bush Walk

(Play School, ABC)

IDEAS FOR LATER

- Take a walk in the bush or a park. Listen and look for birds. Can you see any bird nests or find any feathers on the ground?
- Look for some bush bits and pieces that would make a good nest for a bird. See if you can weave together a soft space for a pretend mother bird and her babies. Maybe you can make a mother bird and baby birds from recycled materials.
- Imagine if you were a stick insect climbing up into the tree. Can you ask a grown up to help you find a tree to climb?

SONGS

Come On And...

Composer: Louie Suthers

Publisher: Unpublished

(APRA / AMCOS Registered)

Two Fat Gentlemen

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

Knees Up Mother Brown

Composer: Bert Lee and Harris Weston

Publisher: Albert Music

I Have Made A Pretty Nest

Composer: Ann Elliott

Publisher: Steiner & Bell

Here We Go Looby Loo

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

Walking In The Bush

Composer: Tony Strutton

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

Who Can?

Composer: Bob Randall

Publisher: Daki Budtcha



MAKE AND DO



How To Make Insect Puppets

You will need:

- Old socks and stockings
- Felt or sticker eyes
- Fabric or ribbon scraps
- Hair elastics
- Pipe cleaners

Ant

Use an old black or brown sock for the ant body and add some stickers for eyes. Add pipe cleaner legs by twisting them around the body. Add two pipe cleaners for antennae.

Cicada

Use a small green sock folded over. Add two stickers for eyes and some fabric or ribbon scraps for wings by pushing them under the hair elastic. Attach using a hair elastic.

Stick Insect

Use a piece of stocking as the body. Twist pipe cleaners around the stocking to make legs.

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BOOK STORY

Dream Little One Dream

Author: Sally Morgan

Illustrations: Ambelin Kwaymullina

Publisher: Penguin Random House Australia, 2016

FILM – THROUGH THE WINDOWS

Baby Alligators

(Play School, ABC)

FILM – STOP, LOOK, LISTEN

Rock Pool

(Play School, ABC)

IDEAS FOR LATER

- Can you dress up like a turtle? Try using the washing basket as your hard shell. What's it like to creep along with your shell on your back? Can you tuck yourself inside your shell when you want to hide?
- Can you make some animal babies from recycled materials to live in a blue towel pond? Try using some old egg cartons and cardboard boxes or socks and scrunched up paper. Who will live in your pond? Frogs, tortoises, alligators or crocodiles?
- Ask a grown up if you can go out in the night to do some star gazing.

SONGS

There Was A Little Turtle

Composer: Lindsay Vachel

Publisher: John Day & Co

Down In The Meadow

Composer: Saxie Dowell

Publisher: J. Albert & Sons

Inanay

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star

Composer: Traditional

Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

Ocean Motion

Composer: Jimmy Kennedy

Publisher: Campbell Music & Co via Albert Music

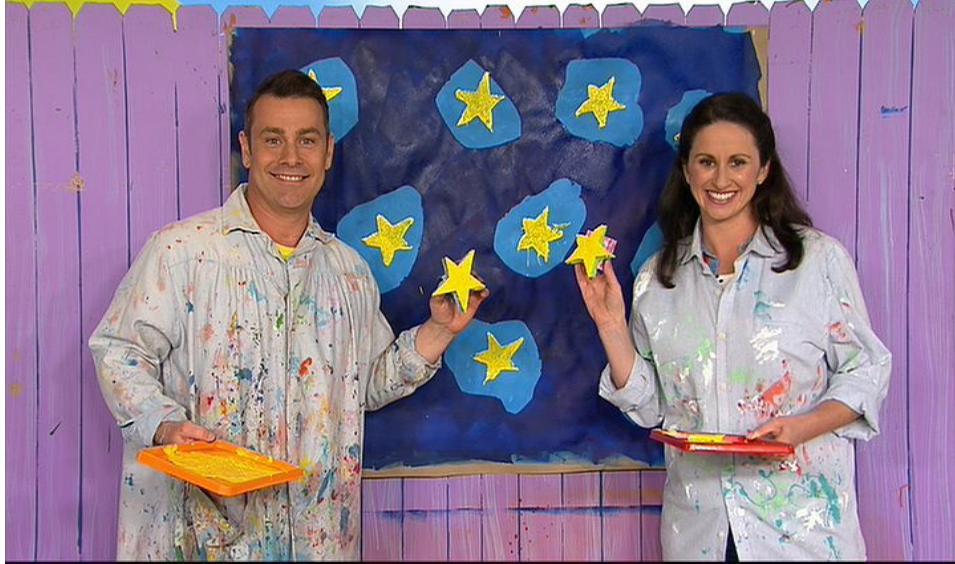
One Foot In Front Of The Other

Composer: Garth Frost and Peter Dasant

Publisher: Origin



MAKE AND DO



How To Make A Night Picture

You will need:

- 1 large piece of pale blue paper
- Paper scraps
- Paste
- Dark blue paint
- Paint roller
- Star stamp made from sponge
- Yellow paint

Instructions

Attach the large piece of pale blue paper to a wall or fence using pegs or place on the floor or table top. Tear some pieces of scrap paper and glue them onto the back drop. Dip the roller into the dark blue paint and roll over the painting to create a dark blue night cover. Peel off the paper scraps to reveal patches of lighter sky within the dark night sky. Dip the star stamp into the yellow paint and add to your night sky to create a starry night sky of dark and dappled blue. You could lie down on the ground and stare up at your painting to do some star gazing!

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TOLD STORY

Where's My Nest?

(A story told by the Play School Team)

FILM – THROUGH THE WINDOWS

Baby Giraffe

(Play School, ABC)

FILM – STOP, LOOK, LISTEN

Baby Galapagos Tortoise

(Play School, ABC)

IDEAS FOR LATER

- What sorts of baby animals hatch out of eggs? Try drawing some eggs and some baby animals hatching. A bird? A lizard? A tortoise perhaps?
- Play hide and seek inside or outside in the garden with a friend.
- Can you make animal noises? Can you move like an animal? You could play an animal guessing game. Make some animal noises and movements and see if a friend or grown up can guess which animal you are.

SONGS

The Lizard Song

Composer: Val Donlon and Marion Ord
Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

Eggs

Composer: Don Spencer
Publisher: Unpublished
(APRA / AMCOS Member)

Come On And...

Composer: Louie Suthers
Publisher: Unpublished
(APRA / AMCOS Registered)

The Cuckoo

Composer: Traditional (German Folk Tune)
Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

Where is Thumbkin?

Composer: Traditional
Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

Spot Song

Composer: John Fox and Warren Carr
Publisher: ABC Music Publishing

Down in the Valley

Composer: Traditional
Publisher: ABC Music Publishing



MAKE AND DO



How To Make A Bush Picture

You will need:

- 1 large piece of brown paper
- Assorted leaves, sticks, gumnuts, and bark
- Paint – light green, dark green and brown

Attach a large piece of brown paper to a fence using pegs. Select a small branch of leaves and dip into the paint using the branch as a paint brush. See what sort of spittery, splashy painting you can paint. Try dipping other bush materials in the paint and see what sort of patterns and marks you can make. The end of a stick might make some dots and the gum nuts can make interesting prints if you dip them into the paint and then dab onto the painting.