

# TAKE-HOME STORYTIME: LOVE

## Five Little Hearts (Finger Play)

Five little hearts.

All in a row.

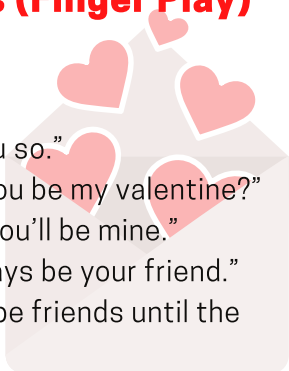
The first one said, "I love you so."

The second one said, "Will you be my valentine?"

The third one said, "I will, if you'll be mine."

The fourth one said, "I'll always be your friend."

The fifth one said, "We'll all be friends until the very end!"



## The Love Bug



**It begins with a grin,** (smile broadly)

**It turns to a giggle,** (cover mouth and giggle)

**You start to laugh,** (loud laugh)

**Your legs start to wiggle.** (lift feet in the air and shake)

**You look all around for someone to hug.** (look around)

**What can you do?** (shrug shoulders)

**You've caught the love bug!** (go hug someone you love!)

**Activity:** Make Valentines using the heart doily from the library, or cut out a heart/card shape at home! Practice "writing" by using crayons, glue, scissors, stickers, etc to decorate. This strengthens little fingers, develops fine motor skills, AND is an opportunity to teach children a way to show LOVE!



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## Chocolate Play Dough

ADULT HELP NEEDED (Sensory play)

2 cups plain flour (all purpose)

1 cup salt

1/2 cup cocoa powder

2 tbsps vegetable oil

2 tbsps cream of tartar

2 cups of boiling water

4 drops of glycerine (optional extra for increased shine and stretch)

Method: Combine dry ingredients. Stir in the vegetable oil. Stir in the boiling water (adult only) and mix until combined. When cool, knead and play!



Two little lovebirds  
sitting on a hill,  
One name Jack  
And one named Jill.  
Fly away, Jack  
Fly away, Jill  
Come back, Jack  
Come back, Jill!

**Activity:** Make a love poster with your child! Draw a large heart on a big piece of paper or poster. Have your child draw or write things they love inside.

## Skidamarink A Dinka Dink

**Skidamarink a dinka dink.**

(Put right elbow in left hand and wiggle fingers)

**Skidamarink a doo.**

(Put left elbow in right hand and wiggle fingers)

**I love you.**

(Point to eyes, hug yourself, and point to others)

**Skidamarink a dinka dink.**

(Repeat actions)

**Skidamarink a doo.**

**I love you.**

**I love you in the morning,**

(Make a big circle over head like the sun)

**And in the afternoon.**

(Hold arms in circle out in front of you)

**I love you in the evening.**

(Move arms in circle down)

**And underneath the moon.**

(Release arms and make another big circle over head)

**Skidamarink a dinka dink.**

**Skidamarink a doo.**

**I love you.**



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