TRANSITION INTO: GROUP LITERACY

It's Time to Start Our Day

Tune: Farmer in the Dell

It's time to start our day.
It's time to start our day.
It's time to give a great big cheer,
'Cause Circle Time is here!
Hooray!

Sit on the rug with me.
Sit on the rug with me.
It's time to give a great big cheer,
'Cause Circle Time is here!
Hooray!

Hello Song

Pat your knees while singing. Wave to the child at the end of the verse.

Then repeat for each child.

Hello (child's name)! Repeat 3 times and wave each hello. We're so glad you're here today.



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LETTER

Letter Animal Parade

- Show the Letter Card. Make the letter sound together.
- Then ask another child to point at the animal. Make the animal sound together.
- Play the letter's song and follow the leader around the room while moving like that animal.

Optional: Invite children to hold onto a parachute and walk round and round while the song plays.



TRANSITION INTO: GROUP ART

It's Time to Make Art

Tune: Farmer in the Dell

Sit at the table with me.
Sit at the table with me.
It's time to give a great big cheer,

'Cause art time is here.



Days of the Week

Tune: Oh My Darling Clementine

There are 7 days.

There are 7 days.

There are 7 days in a week:

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,

Thursday, Friday, Saturday.















Tune: Oh My Darling Clementine



What's the weather?

What's the weather like today?

Is it sunny? (make big circle with arms)

Is it raining? (wiggle fingers down)

Is it cloudy out today? (cover eyes)







What's the weather?

What's the weather like today?

Is it snowing? (hug self and shiver)

Is it windy? (move arms side-to-side in front)

Or do you hear a thunderstorm? BOOM! (stomp!)

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COLOR SONG

What Color Are You Wearing?

Tune: Mary Had a Little Lamb

If you're wearing red today,
Red today, red today,
If you're wearing red today,
Raise your hand and say, "Hooray!"

Repeat the song and change the color.







TRANSITION INTO: GROUP MATH

Math Song

Tune: Farmer in the Dell

Sit at the table with me.
Sit at the table with me.
It's time to give a great big cheer,
'Cause math time is here.





NUMBER FINGERPLAY

5 Little Friends

Tune: Wheels on the Bus

5 little friends go clap, clap, clap, Clap, clap, clap, clap, clap, clap, clap!

5 little friends go tap, tap, tap, Tap, tap, tap, tap, tap, tap!

5 little friends go round and round, Then one lies on the ground.



Four little friends go clap, clap, clap... (Continue counting down: 3, 2, 1 little friend...) Now all are asleep on the ground... Shhhhhhhh...

SHAPE

Shape Toss

- Show the shape at the table and name it. Put it in the middle of the table. (If you introduced a different shape last month, place that shape on the table, too.)
- Give each child a pompom to put on the shape you name.
- Next, play the Shape Song and invite children to toss their pompoms at the matching shape hanging on the wall.
- Repeat the name of the shape while the song plays.



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TRANSITION INTO: GROUP MUSIC

It's Time to Dance and Sing

Tune: Farmer in the Dell

Sit at the table with me.

Sit at the table with me.

It's time to give a great big cheer,

'Cause music time is here.



YOGA

Three Poses

 Choose three yoga poses and hold each one for a count of 10 before switching to the next pose.

• Continue repeating all three poses over and over.







WALL SONG

Can You Sit on the Wall?



Can you sit on the wall
And tap your knees with me?
Can you sit on the wall
And tap your knees with me?
Can you sit on the wall
And tap your knees with me?

Can you sit on the wall?

... And pat your head with me?

... And touch your toes with me?

... And boop your nose with me?

CLEAN UP SONG

Heigh-ho, Heigh-ho, Clean Up

Tune: Heigh-ho, Heigh-ho
Heigh-ho, heigh-ho,
It's clean-up time, you know.
Put the toys away for another day.
Heigh-ho, heigh-ho!
Heigh-ho, heigh-ho!





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