BIG FAT HEN

These bright colored illustrations really add "zip" to the counting and singsong rhyming in this book.

Author and Illustrator: Keith Baker Ages: 3-5 30 pages

Themes: Counting Rhyming

You can read this book several times with your child and emphasize something different WITH each read-through....counting, rhyming, recognizing objects and colors.

Counting fingers and toes is a natural as well as an easy way for young children to learn to count to 10. Use the simple rhyme "1,2 buckle my shoe; 3,4, shut the door; 5,6, pick up sticks, 7,8, lay them straight; 9,10, a big fat hen.

After you've had a chance to read the book at least once, go through each page with your child and identify some of the animals, bugs, etc. and have your them count how many are on each page or rhyme another word with it...worm – squirm; egg – peg; key – bee. This will help your child to expand their vocabulary plus have a fun time playing a game with you.