Five Little Monkeys

Materials

5 little monkeys (felt)
1 mom (felt)
1 doctor (felt)
1 bed (felt)
1 telephone (felt)
1 monkey sample (cardboard)

Objective

The objective for this activity is for the children to visually see the song come alive. As we sing the Five Little Monkeys song, the teacher can place the corresponding felt pieces on the felt board. A student or students can also help the teacher by placing the pieces on the board. The children can sing the song along with the teachers or teachers can get a hold of a CD so the children can sing along. Children would really like to use the felt board.

Purpose

Many times we sing songs, but for a song to come alive and feel the pieces in your hands is a completely wonderful experience. The children can recall the song and want to sing the song because of the felt pieces available to them. The children can also sing the song on their own using this activity bag.

Assessment

One way to know if the children are grasping the activity is to have the children direct the song. The teacher can sit to the side and have the children place and take off the felt pieces as the song goes on. We can see if he children are more engaged with the song, if the children can sing along better. Also, if they recognize the characters.