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Song Card Notebook

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Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star



Learner Goals

I can imitate your complex motor motions with my fingers and hands.

LYRICS

Twinkle, twinkle little star. How I wonder what you are.

Up above the world so high, like a diamond in the sky.

Twinkle, twinkle little star. How I wonder what you are.

ACTIVITY

This traditional song is essential to your repertoire of fun tunes to sing with your child! We included some key vocabulary words borrowed from American Sign Language (ASL) to include as you sing. The motor movements use the child's entire hand instead of fingers, making imitation of the motions easier to copy.

Take your child to the window or backyard before bedtime and sing this song together as you gaze at the stars in the sky. Point UP in the SKY as you sing and sign.

What else do you see UP in the SKY? Show your child how to isolate and lift their pointer finger to show you a star, the moon, a plane, a cloud. Count the stars together as you point: one star, two stars, three stars, four stars . . .

Our music videos provide an opportunity for YOU to learn a new song so that you can sing it face-to-face with your child. Your child likes your voice best, so share your voice as you enjoy this song together.



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Character Song Card

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Our character song cards are a fun and beneficial way to bring music and connection into your family's routine. They empower your child to choose songs for you to sing together, making music a collaborative and joyful experience.



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Making Your Cards Last:

To get started, simply print the cards, trim them, and cover them with packing tape to make them durable for little hands. Storing them in a small bag makes it easy to bring your "Bag of Songs" along in the car, your purse, or a diaper bag.

How They Benefit Your Child:

Boosts Early Literacy:

As your child chooses a card, they begin to connect a picture with a specific song. This is a foundational step in understanding that pictures have meaning, which is a crucial early literacy skill.

Fosters Predictability & Security:

This simple, shared routine of choosing and singing songs offers your child the predictability, structure, and connection they crave. These experiences help to soothe and regulate their feelings, making them feel safe and understood.

Provides a Great Diversion:

Your "Bag of Songs" is a perfect, on-the-go tool to help with tricky moments like car rides or waiting at the doctor's office.





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