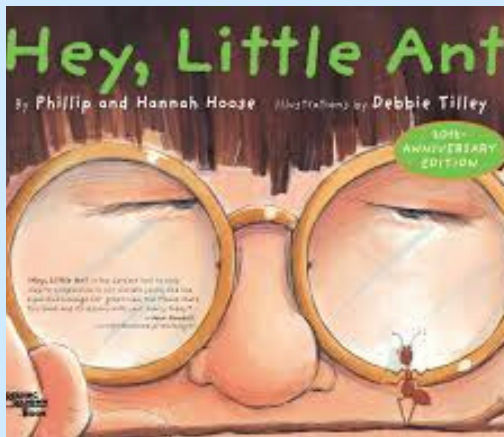


HEY LITTLE ANT

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FINGERPLAY

Once I saw an ant hill
with no ants about.
(fist with fingers tucked in)
So I said, "Dear little ants,
won't you come out?"
Then, as if the little ants
had heard my call,
One, two, three, four, five
came out
(fingers are extended)
And that was all!

RAISING A READER

Read a book together
snuggled up under the
covers

MUSIC

THE ANTS GO MARCHING

CRAFT

Egg Carton Ants

Cut an egg carton into 3 egg cups. Have your child paint each cup (for the 3 body parts) with their choice of paint. Add eyes and pipe cleaner pieces for the antennae and legs.



COOKING

Make an edible ant hill in a cup. Use a clear punch cup so your child can see the layers he/she adds to their dessert. First put a layer of chocolate pudding into the cup for the "dirt". Then, crush up graham crackers in a plastic ziploc bag and pour the crumbs into the cup for the anthill "sand". Last, add chocolate chips for the "ants" (you could also substitute raisins instead of chocolate chips).