AROUND & AROUND WITH NUMBERS!

Booklist

1, 2, 3, To the Zoo: Counting Book – Eric Carle
Rooster's Off to See the World – Eric Carle
What's For Lunch? – Eric Carle
My Very First Book of Numbers – Eric Carle
Quack and Count - Keith Baker
Over in the Meadow – Olive Wadsworth
10 Little Rubber Duckies - Willam B. Winburn

Action Wiggler

Tell children that when you pat them on the head while you count to 7, they should stand up and quack. When you get to 7, count to 7 again until all children are ducks.

Flannel Board Stories

A game created by Karen Wendt for story display board, (Make enough ducks so each child can put one up on the board as you recite the poem.)

> Upstairs in the bathroom in the big bathtub,
> There were __X__ little duckies singing scrub-a-dub-dub.
> Along came (child's name) all alone,
> She picked up the red one and she ran home.

Dramatic Play / Writing Activity

Rooster's Off to See the World: "How many animals all together went off to see the world?" The children use manipulatives or draw pictures to solve the problem. "If I could go off to see the world, I'd go to..." Children are invited to complete the phrase with a short story of their own, add illustrations. They could act it out, you could write a list on a board, or children could make their own books. Play songs from the CD *Had a Little Rooster* by John M. Feierabend; GIA Publications, ©2006.

Poetry "Over in the Meadow" http://www.mothergoosecaboose.com/indexfr.html

Craft

Talk about collage, show examples. Invite children to make a rooster collage. Make a pattern for the body, head, wing, and neck. Have children trace these onto wall paper book sheets, scrap papers, or homemade paper. Tail feathers, feet, waddles combs, etc., can be made out of construction paper. Illustrations can be used to demonstrate how to make pictures with cut and torn papers and a little paint, pencils, or markers.