Learning about Letters

It's great for 3-5 year old children to be familiar with the idea that words are made up of letters. A great way to help children start learning about the work that letters do and the names of a few letters is by helping them learn to spell and write their own name. Singing this favorite song is a perfect way to learn the order of the letters in any name! Insert your child's name in the song and fit the spelling to the tune of "Bingo." You'll be surprised how easily children learn to spell the name of everyone in the family!

There was a farmer had a dog and Bingo was his name-o.
There was a girl with red shoes and Tia was her name-o.
There was a boy who loved raspberries and William was his name-o.

B-I-N-G-O
T-I-A
W-I-L-L-I-A-M

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T-I-A And Tia was her name-o.
W-I-L-L-I-A-M And William was his name-o.

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