

Welcome!

Kindergarten, Unit 1

Nursery Rhymes and Fables

Dear Family Member,

This unit provides a fun and engaging experience for students to discuss and relate to well-known classic nursery rhymes and fables.

What's the story?

Students will **listen to** and **recite classic rhymes**, such as “**Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star**” and “**Jack and Jill**.” They will also be introduced to favorite characters, such as **Humpty Dumpty** and **Little Miss Muffet**.

What will my student learn?

Students will learn **new vocabulary**, develop an **awareness of language**, identify **story elements**, and explore **different types of fiction**. These foundational skills will help them **become better readers** and **writers**.

Throughout the unit, students will **practice sequencing events** in a story. They will also work to **compare and contrast characters** from the different nursery rhymes and fables they will read.

Conversation starters

Ask your student questions about the unit to promote discussion and continued learning:

1. I know you have been learning that the word *sweet* can mean more than one thing. Can you tell me one meaning of the word *sweet*? Now, can you use it in a sentence for me?
Follow up: Together, talk about another way *sweet* can be used. Can you make a sentence using the other meaning of *sweet*?
2. What are some words that rhyme in “Jack and Jill”? (Jill/hill; down/town)
Follow up: What are some other words that rhyme with those words?