

Special Educational Needs and Disability Support Service

Children's Speech and Language Therapy Service

Body Rhymes – Furry Hand

You need: a fluffy glove or duster mitt		Watch or listen to an example. Scan QR code on a smartphone or click link.	 SCAN ME bit.ly/LPTBodyRhymes
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Say:

“Furry Hand”

Say or sing:

**Furry hand hurry hand
Where are you?
Here I am, Here I am
How do you do?**

Do:

1. Hold the glove at eye level if your child can see it.
For children with vision impairment, gently stroke on their arm.
2. Sing the rhyme as you move the glove around your child's body. Make your movements predictable and keep in contact with your child's body.
3. At the end of the rhyme, finish near or under your child's hands, or shake hands.
4. Give your child extra time to explore the glove on your hand.
5. Say “Bumble Bee has finished” and move the glove away.
Use tactile/ on-body sign if your child accepts it.
6. Pause. Does your child notice that the activity has stopped?
7. Ask “more Furry Hand?” Use tactile/ on-body sign if your child accepts it.
8. Repeat 3-4 times or stop if your child doesn't like it.
9. Experiment with fast or slow, firm or light touch to find out what your child likes.

Notice:

- Does your child react when activity starts or stops?
- Do they anticipate the activity starting again or show they want “more”?
- Does your child show they like or don't like the activity? For example, do they explore the glove or lean into your hand?