A House for Hermit Crab

In this story time we explore a Cape Cod tidal pool and discover crabs and other beach critters.

BOOKS

*Does a Fiddler Crab Fiddle?* by Corinne Demas and Artemis Roehrig
illustrations by John Sandford
published by Persnickety Press

*Is This a House for Hermit Crab* by Megan McDonald
illustrations by S.D. Schindler
published by Orchard Books

FINGER RHYME

*Five Cranky Crabs*

Credit: Preschool Education

Five cranky crabs were digging on the shore,
One swam into a net and then there were four.

Four cranky crabs were floating in the sea,
One got tangled up in seaweed, then there were three.

Three cranky crabs were wondering what to do,
One dug a deep, deep hole and then there were two.

Two cranky crabs were warming in the sun,
One got scooped up in a cup, and there was one.

One cranky crab was smarter than his friends,
He hid between the jagged rocks. That’s how the story ends!

SONG

*If You’re Happy and You Know It*

If you’re happy and you know it clap your hands
If you’re happy and you know it clap your hands
If you’re happy and you know it
And you really want to show it
If you’re happy and you know it clap your hands

Additional verses:
If you’re crabby and you know it stomp your feet …
If you’re excited and you know it jump up and down …
If you’re silly and you know it make a funny face …
If you’re sad and you know it shed a tear “Boo hoo” …
If you’re scared and you know it shiver and shake …
If you’re surprised and you know it say “oh my!” …
If you’re embarrassed and you know it hide your face …
If you’re sleepy and you know it stretch and yawn …
SONG

**Shake Your Sillies Out** by Raffi

Gonna shake, shake, shake my sillies out
Shake, shake, shake my sillies out
Gonna shake, shake, shake my sillies out
And wiggle my waggles away!

Additional verses:
Jump my jiggles out
Hop my hoppies out
Twist my twisties out
Stretch my stretchies out
Yawn my sleepies out

ACTION RHYME

**Two Little Hands**

Two little hands go clap, clap, clap
Two little feet go tap, tap, tap
Two little fists go thump, thump, thump *(one fist on top of other, then reverse)*
Two little feet go jump, jump, jump
One little body turns around and around
One little body sits quietly down

SONG

**The More We Get Together**

The more
  *(tap fingertips of both hands together)*
We get together, together, together
  *(put fists together, thumbs on top and move hands in circular motion)*
The more
  *(tap fingertips of both hands together)*
We get together
  *(put fists together, thumbs on top and move hands in circular motion)*
The happier we’ll be
  *(brush hands on chest in upward motion)*
‘Cause your friends are my friends
  *(hook one pointer finger over the other, hold outward)*
And my friends are your friends
  *(turn hands over to reverse positions, draw hands toward self)*
The more
  *(tap fingertips of both hands together)*
We get together
  *(put fists together, thumbs on top and move hands in circular motion)*
The happier we’ll be
  *(brush hands on chest in an upward motion)*