

# “M” Unit Nasals

Dian Baker and Nancy Caleffe-Schenck

## Child-Friendly “M” Words

### Initial

mad  
make  
mama  
man  
many  
march  
markers  
may  
me  
meat  
medicine  
melon  
melt  
meow  
mess  
middle  
milk  
mine  
mittens  
mom  
mommy  
money  
monkey  
monster  
moo  
moon  
moose

mop  
more  
morning  
motorcycle  
mouse  
mouth  
move  
movie  
much  
muffin  
my

### Medial

almost  
animal  
basement  
bump  
camel  
camera  
camping  
climbing  
empty  
family  
fireman  
flamingo  
grandma  
hamburger  
hammer

jump  
lamp  
lawn mower  
mailman  
pajamas  
policeman  
pumpkin  
remember  
smile  
snowman  
stomach  
tomato  
tomorrow  
tummy  
vitamin  
washing-  
machine  
woman  
yummy

### Final

am  
arm  
bathroom  
bedroom  
bedtime  
bottom  
broom

comb  
come  
drum  
farm  
game  
gum  
ham  
him  
home  
ice cream  
jam  
lamb  
let  
living room  
name  
plum  
same  
some  
swim  
them  
thumb  
time  
uniform  
vacuum  
worm

## Daily Routines

### Moving through the day

- **Move** stuffed **animals**, trucks, furniture, etc. **from** one place to another around the house.
- **March** like a soldier.
- **Jump** high, **jump** low, **jump** forward, and **jump** backward!
- **Climb** stairs, steps or playground **equipment**.
- **Vacuum** the carpet.

### Getting dressed

- It's cold this **morning**. Be sure to put on your **mittens**.
- Help **me** put a belt around **my tummy/stomach**, a bracelet on **my arm**, and a ring on **my thumb**.
- Put your dirty **pajamas** in the washing **machine** in the **basement** or laundry **room**.
- Be sure to **comb** your hair!

## Kitchen capers

- Eat a **melon** and **some muffins** with **jam** for breakfast. Don't eat too **much** or you'll get a **tummy** ache.
- Drink **milk** with breakfast. Oh-oh, your **mouth** has a **milk moustache!**
- Eat **ham** or **some** other type of **meat** for lunch. **Hamburgers** with lots of **tomatoes** on **them** are good too. Your plate is **empty!** Do you want **more?**
- How about a **plum**, a piece of **pumpkin** pie or ice **cream** for dessert? Are you **smiling** because it was **yummy?**
- Did you **remember** to take your **vitamins?**
- Never swallow or throw your **gum** on the floor.
- The kitchen floor is a **mess!** Get a **mop** or **broom** and clean it up, please.

## Each day, every day

- It's **time** to take a bath now. It's **almost** your **bedtime**.
- Be sure to go to the **bathroom** before **bedtime**.
- Say goodnight to everyone in your **family**. Don't forget **Mama!**
- Blow kisses to **them** with your **mouth**.

## Activities

- Feed a doll. “**Mmmm**, good. Would you like **some more?**”
- Play dress-up **mailman**, **fireman**, or **policeman**. Use **markers** to turn an old white tee shirt into a **uniform** top.
- Play “**mailman**,” sorting **mail** and delivering it to **animal** friends.
- Play storekeeper, taking your **customers' money** and **making** change.
- Play in the **mud** and **make** a **mess**. **Making mud** pies is fun!
- **Make** frozen things **melt**.
- **Make** ice **cream** in a bag using **milk** or **cream**.
- **Make** a **movie** called “If You Give **Me** a Cookie.” **I'm** the star, of course!
- **Make** a collage using **many** pictures **from** different **magazines**.
- Charades (Wee Sing 6): Write the **names** or draw stick figures on slips of paper and put **them** in a basket: **marching**, **jumping**, **smiling**, **climbing**, **swimming**, **vacuuming**, **mouse**, **monkey**, **moose**, **camel**, **flamingo**, **lamb**, and **worm**.

## Games and Toys

- **Motorboat Game** (Wee Sing 6)
- **Monkeying Around Game** by International Playthings
- **Monkey Madness game** by Ravensburger
- **Go Away Monster game** by Gamewright

- **Monsters Under My Bed game** by Fundex Games
- **My Grandmother Went to Market game** by Child's Play
- Cat and **Mouse game** by Ravensburger
- Alfredo's Food Fight **game** by Fundex Games (meatballs)
- Whac-A-Mole **game** by Hasbro
- Don't **Monkey** Around by Milton Bradley
- **Marble** Works by Discovery Toys

## Songs, Rhymes or Finger Plays

- This Old Man (Wee Sing 2)
- Three Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed
- Mary Had a Little Lamb (Wee Sing 2)
- To Market, To Market (Wee Sing 2, 5, 9)
- Little Miss Muffet (Wee Sing 2)
- Hickory Dickory Dock (Wee Sing 2, 5)
- Round the Mulberry Bush
- Pat-a-Cake (Wee Sing 2, 5)
- Three Little Kittens (Wee Sing 2)
- Pop! Goes the Weasel (Wee Sing 3, 5)
- The Merry-Go-Round (Wee Sing 3)
- The Muffin Man (Wee Sing 3)
- Miss Lucy Had a Baby (Wee Sing 3)
- Miss Mary Mac (Wee Sing 3)
- The More We Get Together (Wee Sing 4)
- She'll be Comin' Round the Mountain (Wee Sing 4, 9)
- Three Blind Mice (Wee Sing 4)
- Baby Bumblebee (Wee Sing 5, 7, 9)
- The Mosquito (Wee Sing 7)
- Old MacDonald (Wee Sing 7, 9)



- When the **mouse** is finished giving **himself** a **trim**, he'll want a **broom**.
- The **mouse might** get carried away and sweep every **room** in the house.
- The **mouse may** even end up washing the floors with a **mop**.
- The **mouse** will crawl in the box and **make himself comfortable**.
- The **mouse** will fluff the pillow a few **times**.
- The **mouse** will ask you to read **him** a story.
- The **mouse** will want to sign his **name** with a pen ... which **means** he'll need scotch tape.
- Looking at the refrigerator will **remind him** that he's thirsty.

## Props for this book

- Mouse
- 2 cookies
- Glass
- Straw
- Napkin
- Mirror
- Storybook
- Pen
- Sheet of paper
- Box of crayons
- Pair of scissors
- Broom
- Sponge and/or mop
- Bucket
- Empty tissue box (bed)
- Tape dispenser
- Cotton ball (pillow for mouse)
- Tissue sheet (blanket for mouse)

## Additional Books

- *If You Give a Moose a Muffin* by Laura Joffe Numeroff
- *Are You My Mother?* by P.D. Eastman
- *"More, More, More" said the Baby* by Vera B. Williams
- *Is Your Mama a Llama?* by Deborah Guarino
- *It's Mine!* by Rod Campbell
- *Move Over, Rover* by Karen Beaumont
- *Mouse Paint* by Ellen Stoll Walsh
- *Mouse Count* by Ellen Stoll Walsh
- *Mouse Mess* by Linnea Asplind Riley
- *This Old Man* by Pam Adams
- *Five Little Monkeys Sitting in a Tree* by Eileen Christelow
- *Five Little Monkeys with Nothing to Do* by Eileen Christelow
- *Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed* by Eileen Christelow
- *Five Little Monkeys Wash the Car* by Eileen Christelow
- *Five Little Monkeys Bake a Birthday Cake* by Eileen Christelow
- *Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type* by Doreen Cronin
- *The Chick and the Duckling* by Mirra Ginsburg
- *From Head to Toe* by Eric Carle
- *Here Are My Hands* by Bill Martin Jr.
- *Whose Baby Am I?* by John Butler
- *Green Eggs and Ham* by Dr. Seuss

## Book: *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie*

**Written by Laura Joffe Numerof, Illustrated by Felicia Bond**

Follow a demanding little mouse and a boy who tries to give the mouse everything he wants. The story starts when the boy gives the mouse a cookie, but it doesn't end there! Each request the boy grants, leads to another demand by the mouse.

## Building communication with this book

- **Cause and effect** If ... then ...
- **Associations** cookies and milk; blanket and pillow; paper and crayons; etc.
- **Conjunctions** if, when, then
- **Future tense modals** will, might, may
- **Predicting**

## Conversational phrases for this book

- If you give a **mouse** a ... glass of **milk**, **mirror**, **broom**, etc.
- The **mouse** has a **milk moustache!** He **made** a **mess!**
- When the **mouse** looks in the **mirror**, he **might** notice his hair needs a **trim**.