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# Storytime Starters

## Eggs

### Books for Toddlers:

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*Friends* by Kim Lewis, © 1997. (GROWING, Lewis)

*Oliver and his Egg* by Paul Schmid, ©2014. (FAVORITES, Schmid)

*Ollie* by Olivier Dunrea, © 2003. (CHARACTERS, Dunrea)

*Roly-Poly Egg* by Kali Stileman, © 2009. (ANIMALS, Stileman)

*Whose Chick Are You?* by Nancy Tafuri, © 2007. (NATURE, Tafuri)

### Books for Preschoolers:

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*Dora's Eggs* by Julie Sykes, © 1997. (FAVORITES, Sykes)

*Except If* by Jim Averbeck, © 2011. (ANIMALS, Averbeck)

*First the Egg* by Laura Vaccaro Seeger, © 2007. (FAVORITES, Seeger)

*George and the Dinosaur* by Felix Hayes, © 2014. (FAVORITES, Hayes)

*Green Eggs and Ham* by Dr. Seuss, © 1957. (READER, Seuss)

*Hunwick's Egg* by Mem Fox, © 2005. (FAVORITES, Fox)

*It's Quacking Time!* by Martin Waddell, © 2005. (GROWING, Waddell)

*Lizard from the Park* by Mark Pett, © 2015. (FAVORITES, Pett)

*The Most Wonderful Egg in the World* by Helme Heine, © 1983.

*The Odd Egg* by Emily Gravett, © 2008. (FOLK, Gravett)

*The Strange Egg* by Mary Newell DePalma, © 2001. (ANIMALS, DePalma)

*Tillie Lays an Egg* by Terry Golson, © 2009. (ANIMALS, Golson)

*Two Eggs, Please.* by Sarah Weeks, © 2003.

*What Will Hatch?* by Jennifer Ward, © 2013. (NATURE, Ward)

### School-Age Extension:

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*Hatch!* by Roxie Munro, © 2011. (NATURE, Munro)

*A Hen for Izzy Pippik* by Aubrey Davis, © 2012. (ADVANCED, Davis)

*Scrambled Eggs Super!* by Dr. Seuss, © 1953. (FAVORITES, Seuss)

## Fingerplays & Songs :

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### Humpty Dumpty

Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall.  
Humpty Dumpty had a great fall.  
All the King's horses  
And all the King's men  
Couldn't put Humpty together again.  
(Traditional Nursery Rhyme)

### Red Hen, Red Hen

(Tune: Baa Baa Black Sheep)  
Red hen, red hen, have you eggs for me?  
Yes, sir. Yes, sir. A lot you see.  
One to hard boil.  
Another one to fry.  
One to scramble.  
And Easter eggs to dye.  
Red Hen, red hen, have you eggs for  
me?  
Yes, sir. Yes, sir. A lot you see.

(from:  
<http://www.childfun.com/themes/food/eggs/>)

### Eggs in a nest

Here's an egg in a nest up in a tree.  
(make fist with right hand and place in  
palm of cupped left hand)  
What's inside? What can it be?  
(shrug shoulders)  
Peck, peck, peck,  
Peep, peep, peep.  
Out hatches a little bird,  
(Wiggle fingers or fist hand)  
Cute as can be!

(from:  
<http://www.childfun.com/themes/food/eggs/>)

### Hatching Chickens

Five eggs and five eggs  
(Hold up one hand and then the other)  
Are underneath a hen.  
Five eggs and five eggs

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(Hold up all fingers)  
And that makes ten.  
The hen keeps the eggs warm for three  
long weeks.  
(Hold up three fingers)  
Snap go the shells with tiny little beaks.  
(Snap fingers)  
Crack, Crack, the shells go,  
(Clap four times)  
The chickens, every one,  
Fluff out their feathers  
(Fluff your feathers!)  
In the warm spring sun.  
(Make circle of arms)  
(from:  
<http://www.childfun.com/themes/food/eggs/>)

**Eggs, Eggs, Eggs**  
(Sung to Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star)

Eggs in Buckets,  
Eggs in Bins.  
Eggs in baskets,  
Eggs in tins.  
Eggs in green grass,  
Eggs in clover.

Eggs, Eggs, Eggs  
Yes, eggs all over.  
Eggs for children  
Just like me.  
Eggs for springtime fun,  
Yippee!  
(from:  
<http://www.childfun.com/themes/food/eggs/>)

**Éste (This One)**  
This finger play is like “This Little Piggy.” Start with the little finger.

Éste se halló un huevito  
(This little finger found an egg.)  
Éste lo quebró,  
(This one broke it.)  
Éste lo frió,  
(This one fried it.)  
Éste le echo sal,  
(This one put salt on it.)  
Y este viejo gordo se lo comió.  
(And this old fat one ate it all up.)  
(from: *Ring a Ring O'Roses*, 1996.)

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### STAFF ONLY

**Big Book:** Don't Forget the Bacon (HPB)

**Flannel Boards:** Life Cycle of a Frog (MEA), Five Big Hens (LAK), Snowflake Soufflé (MAD)

**Prop Stories:** The Most Wonderful Egg in the World (MAD), The Cake that Mack Ate (MAD)

**Movies:** First the Egg (DVD, 5 min.), The Most Wonderful Egg in the World (VHS, 6 min.), Waiting for Wings (VHS, 7 min.)

**App:**

**Stamps:** Upper case 'E', Lower case 'e', Eggplant (all LAK)

**Craft:**

**Play Literacy:**

**Early Learning Tip:** Cook eggs with your child. Cooking is a fun activity, and it's a great time to introduce new vocabulary! There are so many ways to prepare them and so many new words to learn! Poached, fried, hard-boiled ...