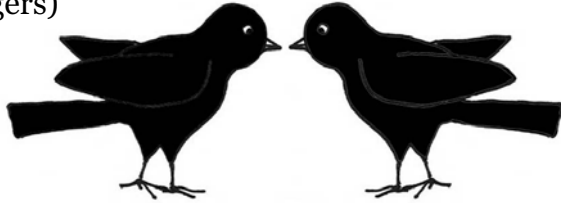


Two Little Blackbirds

(Children can wear little cones of black construction paper taped to the tops of their index fingers as they do the fingerplay)

Two little blackbirds
Sitting on a hill
(Hold up both index fingers)
One named Jack,
(wiggle one finger)
The other named Jill.
(wiggle other finger)
Fly away, Jack.
(put first finger behind back.)
Fly away, Jill.
(put other finger behind back.)
Come back, Jack.
(return first finger to front)
Come back, Jill.
(return other finger to front.)



The Bird's Nest by John Drinkwater

I know a place in the ivy on a tree,
Where a bird's nest is, and the eggs are three.
And the bird is brown, and the eggs are blue,
And the twigs are old, but the moss is new.
And I go quite near, thought I think I should have heard
The sound of me watching, if I had been a bird.

POEMS ABOUT BIRDS

This book of poems belongs to:

Wise Old Owl

A wise old owl sat on an oak
The more he sat, the less he spoke,
The less he spoke, the more he heard,
Why can't we be like that wise old bird?



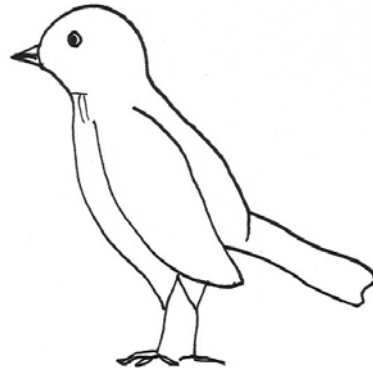
Little Owl

(adapted from
There was a Little Turtle)

There was a little owl
And he lived in a tree.
He sat on a branch and
He looked at me.
He blinked at a moth
He blinked at a snake
He blinked at a mouse
But he WINKED at me!

Little Robin Redbreast

Little Robin Redbreast sat upon a rail;
Niddle-noodles went his head;
Wiggle-waggle went his tail.



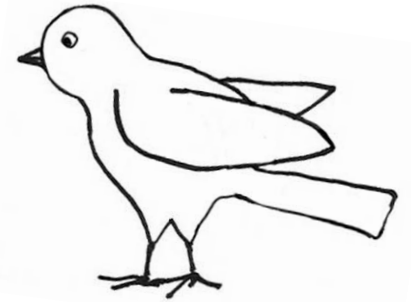
Five Little Robins

Five little robins up on a tree.
Father, mother and babies three.
Father caught a bug.
Mother caught a worm.
The 1st baby got the bug.
The 2nd baby got the worm.
The 3rd baby said, "Now it's my turn."

Sparrow by Kay Starbird

(from Eric Carle's *Animals* poems)

A hummingbird hums
A woodpecker drums.
A gull is graceful in flight.
A jay finds fighting
Pretty exciting
And licks every bird in sight.
A swallow swoops.
In up and down loops.
And seldom lights on the ground.
But take a sparrow
Whose world is narrow,
A sparrow just hangs around.



A partridge whirs
Through the pines and the firs.
A chickadee's ways are cute.
A pigeon coos.
And an owl hoo-hoos.
Whenever it gives a hoot.
A crow steals corn.
From the year it's born.
Then hide where it can't be found
A sparrow, though,
Doesn't come and go.
A sparrow just hangs around.