



## ***Library Books are NOT for Eating!*** by Todd Tarpley

### **Recommended books:**

***We Don't Eat Our Classmates*** by Ryan Higgins  
***Maybe the Bear Ate It*** by Robie Harris  
***Perfectly Messed-Up Story*** by Patrick McDonnell  
***Read It, Don't Eat It*** by Ian Schoenherr  
***Stella Louella's Runaway Book*** by Lisa Campbell Ernst  
***Duncan the Story Dragon*** by Amanda Driscoll  
***Book! Book! Book!*** by Deborah Brass  
***We Are In a Book*** by Mo Willems  
***Book Hog*** by Greg Pizzoli  
***We're Going on a Book Hunt*** by Pat Miller  
***Library Dragon*** by Carmen Agra Deedy

### **Fingerplays & Songs:**

#### **Let's Take a Look at this Book**

Let's take a look at this book (palms together vertically)  
Here is the cover (lay palms horizontally)  
We open it wide (open hands)  
Here are pages hidden inside (wiggle fingers with palms up)  
There are words and pictures (sway hands)  
We look and look  
And when we are finished  
We close up the book (clap hands together)

### **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, then your face will surely show it  
If you're happy and you know it, clap your hands  
Stomp your feet // Shout hooray // Read a book (last)

### **Read, Read, Read a Book" (Tune: Row, Row, Row Your Boat)**

Read, read, read a book,  
Travel anywhere,  
Worldwide, you decide,  
A book will take you there.

Read, read, read a book,  
Beginning to the end,  
What a way to spend the day,  
A book's a special friend!

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### **We Take Care of our Books" (Sing to the tune of "The Farmer in the Dell")**

We take care of our books.	We put our books up high.
We take care of our books.	We put our books up high.
Hi-ho-our-book-care-rules.	Hi-ho-our-book-care-rules.
We take care of our books.	We put our books up high.

We wash and dry our hands.	We use a shelf marker.
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Hi-ho-our-book-care-rules.	Hi-ho-our-book-care-rules.
We wash and dry our hands.	We use a shelf marker.

We turn the pages slowly.	We take care of our books.
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Hi-ho-our-book-care-rules.	Hi-ho-our-book-care-rules.
We turn the pages slowly.	We take care of our books.
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We use a bookmark too.  
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Hi-ho-our-book-care-rules.  
We use a bookmark too.

### **Flannel Board Rhymes:**

I Took My Dragon to the Library- <https://tinyurl.com/y332nmor>

### Five Little Books

Five little books at the library  
Five little books as great as can be  
Along comes (child's name) with their library card  
To take one home and read!  
(count down)

### Five Little Books

Five little books, sitting in pile.  
Look inside, and see a crocodile.  
Four little books, all in a pile.  
All standing straight in a single file.  
Three little books, sitting on the shelf.  
Can you take one and read it for yourself?  
Two little books, left on the pile.  
Find one now and read it with a smile!  
One little book, all that is there.  
Found itself a reader who is happy to share.



### Activity: Care of Books Mystery Bag

Use a tote bag and fill it with different items that are related to book care rules. Then have a child come up and pull out one item at a time and have them guess what book care rule the item goes with. Below is a list of some of the items.

- Water bottle (never get your books wet, don't put water bottles inside your bookbag)
- Stuffed dog (keep pets away from your books)
- Baby bottle, baby doll or baby item (keep younger brothers and sisters away from your books)
- Crayons, pencil (do not draw, write or color in your books)
- Scissors (do not cut the pages of your book)
- Food wrapper or container (do not read your books while eating)

### Activity: Coloring a Bookmark craft

See next page for printable template.

### Activity: "B" is for Book



