



Birds Storytime

Sing “Hello Hello” (*directions for movements are in italics*)

Hello Hello [*wave*]
Can you clap your hands? [*clap hands*]
Hello Hello [*wave*]
Can you stomp your feet? [*stomp feet*]
Can you reach up high? [*reach arms up*]
Can you turn around? [*spin around*]
Can you wiggle your fingers? [*wiggle fingers*]
And touch the ground? [*touch the floor*]

Hello Hello [*wave*]
Can you clap your hands? [*clap hands*]
Hello Hello [*wave*]
Can you stomp your feet? [*stomp feet*]
Can you reach up high? [*reach arms up*]
Can you turn around? [*spin around*]
Can you wiggle your fingers? [*wiggle fingers*]
And sit right down? [*sit down*]

Read Lewis Cardinal's *First Winter* by Amy Crane Johnson and Robb Mommaerts

Watch, sing, dance along with “Rockin’ Robin”

Do the action rhyme “Two Little Blackbirds”

Two little blackbirds sitting on a hill [*hold up index finger on each hand*]
One named Jack and one named Jill [*wiggle one finger, then the other*]
Fly away Jack, fly away Jill [*move one finger behind your back, then the other*]
Come back Jack, come back Jill [*bring one finger behind back out front, then the other*]
Two little blackbirds sitting on a hill [*hold up index finger on each hand*]
One named Jack and one named Jill [*wiggle one finger, then the other*]

Two little blackbirds flying in the sky [*hold up index finger on each hand*]
One named low and one named high [*wiggle one finger, then the other*]
Fly away low, fly away high [*move one finger behind your back down low, then the other up high*]
Come back Jack, come back Jill [*bring back one finger down low, then the other up high*]
Two little blackbirds flying in the sky [*hold up index finger on each hand*]
One named low and one named high [*wiggle one finger, then the other*]

Two little blackbirds sitting on a cloud [*hold up index finger on each hand*]
One named quiet and one named loud [*wiggle one finger, then the other*]
Fly away low, fly away high [*move one finger behind your back while whispering, then the other while singing loudly*]
Come back quiet, come back loud [*bring back one finger in front while whispering, then the other while singing loudly*]
Two little blackbirds sitting on a cloud [*hold up index finger on each hand*]
One named quiet and one named loud [*wiggle one finger, then the other*]

Two little blackbirds sitting in a row *[hold up index finger on each hand]*
One named fast and one named slow *[wiggle one finger, then the other]*
Fly away fast, fly away high *[move one finger behind your back quickly, then the other slowly]*
Come back fast, come back slow *[bring back one finger quickly, then the other up slowly]*
Two little blackbirds sitting in a row *[hold up index finger on each hand]*
One named fast and one named slow *[wiggle one finger, then the other]*

Two little blackbirds sitting on a gate *[hold up index finger on each hand]*
One named early and one named late *[wiggle one finger, then the other]*
Fly away early, fly away high *[move one finger behind your back a bit early, then the other late, after you sing the words]*
Come back early, come back late *[bring back one finger a bit early, then the other late]*
Two little blackbirds sitting in a row *[hold up index finger on each hand]*
One named fast and one named slow *[wiggle one finger, then the other]*

Read *A Penguin Story* by Antoinette Portis

Watch, sing, and dance along to “The Penguin Shuffle”

Read *Little Hoot* by Amy Kraus Rosenthal and Jen Corace

Sing “Goodbye Song”

Wave high *[wave high in the air]*
Wave low *[wave toward the ground]*
Because it's time *[clap clap]*
for us to go *[clap clap]*
Wave your fingers *[wave fingers]*
Wave your toes *[wave toes]*
Wave your bottom *[shake bottom]*
Wave your nose *[wiggle nose]*

Wave like that *[small wave with fingers]*
Wave like this *[wave side to side with hand]*
Wave your arms *[wave arms]*
Blow a kiss *[blow a kiss]*

Crafts and Extension Activities

Make a birdfeeder and watch the birds that come visit. Watch the penguins at the Georgia Aquarium's Live Cam. Learn more about owls from the San Diego Zoo.

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