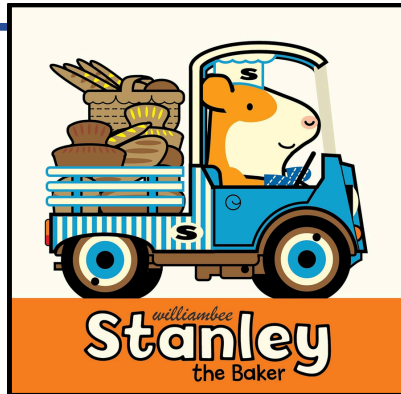


# KINDERGARTEN READINESS TIPS

## Talk more about baking and bakeries

*Stanley the Baker*  
by  
William Bee



## Grown-up tip

You might have noticed that there are a lot of songs that ask kids to count down from five to zero. These songs are a fantastic way to introduce children to subtraction and one-to-one correspondence (counting items in a set once and only once). Songs like "Five Little Muffins" are an awesome way to teach one-to-one correspondence, especially when you make a big show of using your fingers to count down.

## Take a look at this!

Visit OC Public Library's Kindergarten Readiness webpage to see a video of this rhyme. Scan the QR code to find out more!



## Five Little Muffins in the Bakery Shop

Five little muffins in the bakery shop  
*(hold up five fingers)*

You know, the ones with  
the honey and the sugar on top  
*(sprinkle sugar on the bun)*

Along came a girl with a penny to pay  
*(pinch pointer and thumb like you're holding up a penny)*

And she bought that muffin  
and she ran away!

*(mime grabbing a muffin with one hand, then pump your arms like you're running)*

*Count down until you get to zero*

No little muffins in the bakery shop

You know, the kind with the honey  
and the sugar on the top

Along came a boy with a penny to pay  
He said, "WHAT, NO MUFFINS?!"  
and he ran away!

## Try this non-fiction title

*Math Play!*  
by  
Linda Daukas



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