



MISSOURI BUILDING BLOCK PICTURE BOOK AWARD

Eat Pete
By Michael Rex

Related Books:

Bear and Squirrel Are Friends...Yes, Really! By Deb Pilutti

Go To Bed, Monster! By Natash Wing

I Just Ate My Friend by Heidi McKinnon

I Will Not Eat You by Adam Lehrhaupt

Leonardo the Terrible Monster by Mo Willems

Pepo and Lol Are Friends by Ana Martin Larranaga

Poor Little Guy by Elanna Allen

Quit Calling Me A Monster by Jory John and Bo Shea

A Splendid Friend, Indeed by Suzanne Bloom

Unlike Other Monsters by Audrey Vernick

We Don't Eat Our Classmates by Ryan T. Higgins

Rhymes:

"Monsters Galore"

Monsters galore, can you roar?

Roar.

Monsters galore, can you soar?

Make flying motions.

Monsters galore, can you please shut the door?

Clap hands.

Monsters galore, can you fall on the floor?

Fall down.

"Five Hairy Monsters"

Sung to "5 Little Ducks"

Two hairy monsters went out to play
near a haunted house one day.

They had such fantastic fun,
they called for another hairy monster to come.

[Raise hands to cup mouth, and call all together] "Oh, Hairy Monsterrrr!"

[Slap hands on thighs to make sound of monster running to join]



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[Count down...ending]

They had such fantastic fun, they played and played 'til the day was done.

Songs:

"Ten Little Monsters Can't Scare Me"

Sung to "Ten Little Indians"

One little, two little, three little monsters

Four little, five little, six little monsters

Seven little, eight little, nine little monsters

Ten of them can't scare me!

"It's Almost Time for Lunch"

Sung to "B-I-N-G-O"

It's almost time for lunch, but there's a monster on my sandwich!

Monster, you get off!

Monster, you get off!

Monster, you get off!

Get off of my Sandwich!

... apple . . . ice cream. . . popcorn. . . etc.

Hint: To turn this into an action song, use it with a magnet board and food magnets.

"Make New Friends"

Make new friends, but keep the old.

One is silver and the other is gold.

A circle is round. It has no end.

That's how long I want to be your friend

Option 1: If parents can participate, have the group sing the song as a round.

Option 2: Hold hands and turn in a circle while singing

"Friend of Mine"

Sung to "Mary Had a Little Lamb"

Will you be a friend of mine, friend of mine, friend of mine?

Will you be a friend of mine and [insert action word] around with me?

jump... bow... clap... hop on one foot...

"If You're Friendly"

Sung to "If You're Happy and You Know It"

If you're friendly and you know it, clap your hands.

If you're friendly and you know it, clap your hands.

If you're friendly and you know it, and you really want to show it,

If you're friendly and you know it, clap your hands!



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Activities:

Don't Eat Pete Game –This game requires a bingo-like monster filled game board, as well as candy or food, such as cheerios or M&Ms (be aware of food allergy concerns). One player is sent away, while the rest of the players choose a monster on the game board to be Pete. The player comes back and eats one piece of candy off the board at a time, until they guess correctly which one is Pete. When they do, the group shouts, “Eat Pete.” Then new candy is returned to the board, and the group plays again until everyone has had a chance to find and eat Pete. The best player is the one that gets to eat the most candy before eating Pete. Full instructions and game boards available at The Cozy Red Cottage

(<https://www.thecozyredcottage.com/2019/02/valentine-dont-eat-pete-monsters-and.html>).

Feed Cookie Monster—Find a monster face by searching cookie monster face clipart, and print as large of a face as possible. Tape it to some kind of bowl, cup, or bin that will allow the face to stand up on its own. Also print cookies in red, pink, blue, green, and orange. As you say each color in the rhyme, have the kids find the correct color of cookies in the library and bring them up to feed the monster. “Cookie monster wants a yummy cookie treat. Please bring him a red, cherry cookie to eat.” Full details, including the full rhyme are available at [Sunflower Storytime](https://sunflowerstorytime.com/2015/10/27/monsters/) (<https://sunflowerstorytime.com/2015/10/27/monsters/>).

Monster Masks – Use the monster template and popsicle sticks, and have the kids create their own monster mask. Each monster will be a bit different, depending on where the eyes are placed, and the colors chosen. The kids can hold the masks to their faces and look through the gap for the giant mouth. You will need to use sturdy paper or cardstock, so that the masks hold up. Full details, including a mask template, are available at [Sunflower Storytime](https://sunflowerstorytime.com/2015/10/27/monsters/) (<https://sunflowerstorytime.com/2015/10/27/monsters/>).

My Best Friend—This is an open ended drawing/writing activity. Print off a picture of an empty frame with the text “My Best Friend” at the top, and ask the children to draw a picture of something they like to do with their best friend. Afterwards, share the drawings, and allow the children to talk about what they drew. Sample Frame available from [Show Me Librarian](https://showmelibrarian.blogspot.com/2013/02/best-of-friends-super-simple-story-time.html) (<https://showmelibrarian.blogspot.com/2013/02/best-of-friends-super-simple-story-time.html>).



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