

# Rhyme Time

<b>Title</b>	One Elephant Went Out To Play
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<b>Possibilities for maths learning</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Counting <input type="checkbox"/> Composition <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cardinality <input type="checkbox"/> Subitise <input type="checkbox"/> Comparison <input type="checkbox"/> Measure <input type="checkbox"/> Shape <input type="checkbox"/> Pattern <input type="checkbox"/> Spatial Awareness
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One elephant went out to play  
 Upon a spider's web one day;  
 He had such tremendous fun  
 That he called for another elephant to come!

Two elephants went out to play  
 Upon a spider's web one day;  
 They had such tremendous fun  
 That they called for another elephant to come!

Three elephants went out to play  
 Upon a spider's web one day;  
 They had such tremendous fun  
 That they called for another elephant to come!

Four elephants went out to play  
 Upon a spider's web one day;  
 They had such tremendous fun  
 That they called for another elephant to come!

Five elephants went out to play  
 Upon a spider's web one day;  
 They had such tremendous fun  
 That they all had a picnic in the sun!





### Link to rhyme online

If you have team members, students or parents who do not know the tune a visual tool can be found at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wQf6yWEScB8>

### Resources

You could make props with elephant cut outs stuck onto lollipop sticks and use these with the rhyme. You could also use wool or string to make a spider web and place the props into it as the elephants play on the spider's web.

### Extension opportunities

You can simply encourage children to count with their fingers. This will help them to count up and understand that one has been added each time. Asking the children at the end of each verse how many elephants there are now will help to develop their number recognition and understanding of cardinality. You could ask five children to sit in a line and as each elephant goes to play on the spiders web one more could stand up to represent the total number.

### Home learning ideas

Send a copy of the rhyme and the props home (or a copy that can be made at home).