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FOREWORD

The Puffin Baby and Toddler Treasury is both a book for babies and toddlers and a celebration of those special baby and toddler years. We also hope it will remain a precious reminder of early childhood.

While older children will enjoy poring over the wealth of stories, rhymes and pictures it contains by themselves, the *Treasury* has been unashamedly designed as a book for adults and very young children to share. Never intended to be read from cover to cover, the emphasis in choosing the contents has been on providing a wide range of tried and tested stories and poems, all of which are short enough but satisfying enough for very young children. First words and concepts, first rhymes, first stories and first pictures – there is everything here to delight small eyes and ears and growing minds. Some popular characters and favourite illustrators also make a well-deserved appearance.

We hope *The Puffin Baby and Toddler Treasury* will bring many hours of happy reading – and many more years of happy memories.



HEY DIDDLE DIDDLE

Hey diddle diddle,
The cat and the fiddle,
The cow jumped over the moon;
The little dog laughed
To see such sport,
And the dish ran away with the spoon.



LITTLE MISS MUFFET

Little Miss Muffet
Sat on a tuffet,
Eating her curds and whey;
There came a big spider,
Who sat down beside her
And frightened Miss Muffet away.



OLD MACDONALD HAD A FARM

Old Macdonald had a farm,

E-I-E-I-O!

And on that farm he had some cows,

E-I-E-I-O!

With a moo-moo here,

And a moo-moo there,

Here a moo, there a moo, everywhere a moo-moo,

Old Macdonald had a farm,

E-I-E-I-O!

Old Macdonald had a farm,

E-I-E-I-O!

And on that farm he had some sheep,

E-I-E-I-O!

With a baa-baa here,

And a baa-baa there,

Here a baa, there a baa, everywhere a baa-baa,

With a moo-moo here,

And a moo-moo there,

Here a moo, there a moo, everywhere a moo-moo,

Old Macdonald had a farm,

E-I-E-I-O!

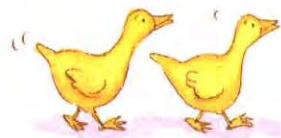




Old Macdonald had a farm,
E-I-E-I-O!

And on that farm he had some ducks,
E-I-E-I-O!

With a quack-quack here,
And a quack-quack there,



Here a quack, there a quack, everywhere a quack-quack,
With a baa-baa here,
And a baa-baa there,

Here a baa, there a baa, everywhere a baa-baa,
With a moo-moo here,
And a moo-moo there,

Here a moo, there a moo, everywhere a moo-moo,
Old Macdonald had a farm,

E-I-E-I-O!



Old Macdonald had a farm,
E-I-E-I-O!

And on that farm he had some hens,
E-I-E-I-O!



With a cluck-cluck here,
And a cluck-cluck there,

Here a cluck, there a cluck, everywhere a cluck-cluck,
With a quack-quack here,
And a quack-quack there,

Here a quack, there a quack, everywhere a quack-quack,
With a baa-baa here,
And a baa-baa there,
Here a baa, there a baa, everywhere a baa-baa,
With a moo-moo here,
And a moo-moo there,
Here a moo, there a moo, everywhere a moo-moo,
Old Macdonald had a farm,
E-I-E-I-O!



HICKORY, DICKORY, DOCK

*H*ickory, dickory, dock,
The mouse ran up the clock.
The clock struck one,
The mouse ran down,
Hickory, dickory, dock.

