

Monkey-See Monkey-Do Warm-Up Activity



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When I go to the zoo, my favorite spot is the monkey house. I love to watch the funny things the monkeys do, and I think perhaps the monkeys like to watch us, too. I wonder if they think I am as funny as I think they are. Let's pretend! You pretend to be the monkeys, and I'll be me. Let's see what happens at the zoo. Listen carefully because sometimes you will be leading. Remember, you are the monkeys. Whatever the monkey's do, you do it too.

When I run up to the monkey cages I clap my hands happily. The monkeys clap too.

I jump up and down. The monkeys jump up and down too.

I make funny faces. The monkeys make funny faces too.

I turn in circles. The monkeys turn in circles too.

I act like a monkey and swing my arms. The monkeys swing their arms to.

I lift my legs up and walk like a monkey. The monkeys lift their legs up and walk too.

I scratch my head. The monkeys scratch their heads too.

The monkeys scratch under their arms. Hey, I scratched under my arms too.

The monkeys pulled their ears. I pulled my ears too..

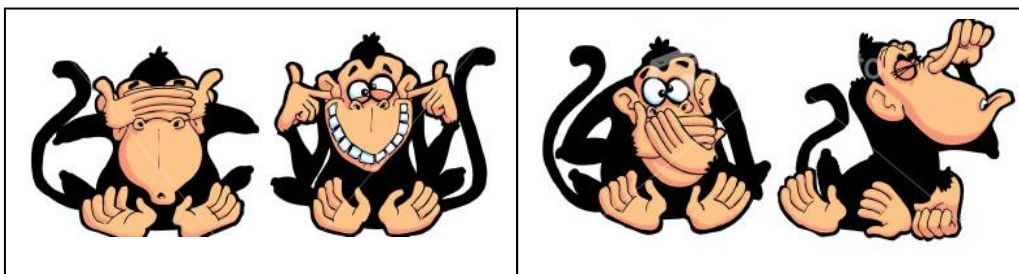
The monkeys sat on the ground and counted their toes I pretended to count my toes too..

Then I laughed haa-haa-haa, haa-haa-haa. The monkeys laughed too.

That made me laugh some more. Guess what? The monkeys laughed more too.

Have you ever seen the monkeys at the zoo? If you do, play this game with them.

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Listen to Dr. Lockett's song "Goin to the Zoo" on his CD, **Tales for Young at Heart**, available at www.mikelockett.com