

STORY TIME RESOURCES

NUTS TO YOU!

STORY TIME DESCRIPTION

Have you ever wondered about the secret lives of squirrels? [Nuts to You!](#) by Lois Ehlert will give us a glimpse of a squirrel's very busy life. Let's follow this rascally squirrel as he dig, eat, zip and hide. He also ventures into an apartment through a torn screen. It takes a nutty solution to get him out.

HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES

- **Pre-K Pages:** Pre-K Pages has some great [acorn activities](#) on their website.
- **DIY Squirrel Feeder:** Visit Fun Learning for Kids to see how one family was inspired to make a [squirrel feeder](#) after reading *Nuts to You!*
- **Acorn Math Game:** Visit Kids Soup to see instructions for how to play "[Crazy for Nuts](#)" a math game using acorns.
- **Little Bins for Little Hands:** Little Bins for Little Hands provide ways to [learn with acorns](#). Some the activities include fine motor, science, math, literacy, and art.
- **Festive Fall STEM Activities:** Little Bins for Little Hands has some [fun fall STEM projects](#) that include recipes, crafts and more.

OTHER HELPFUL RESOURCES

- **Common Native Trees of Virginia:** You may download [Common Native Trees of Virginia Identification Guide](#) published by Virginia Department of Forestry.
- **How to Identify Oaks:** Learn [how to identify oak leaves](#) differentiate between red oaks and white oaks.
- **Field Guide:** You may download [Field Guide to Native Oak Species of Eastern North America](#) published by USDA.
- **Tree Squirrels:** You may download this document [Living with Wildlife: Tree Squirrels](#) to learn about different species of squirrels published by Oregon Fish and Wildlife.
- **Music & Movement:** Natural Beach Living website provides activities for a squirrel themed unit. You may download "[Grey Squirrel, Grey Squirrel Swish Your Bushy Tail](#)" printable.

GREY SQUIRREL, GREY SQUIRREL SWISH YOUR BUSHY TAIL



Grey squirrel, grey squirrel, swish your bushy tail!

Grey squirrel, grey squirrel, swish your bushy tail!

Put a nut between your toes.

Wrinkle up your little nose.

Grey squirrel, grey squirrel, swish your bushy tail!



When you sing the Grey Squirrel part: Your hands should be up in a squirrel stance.

For Swish your bushy tail: Shake your hips side to side.

Put a nut... Act like you are placing a nut between your feet.

Wrinkle up your little nose: Use your finger to wrinkle your nose back and forth.

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RELATED CHILDREN'S BOOKS

- [*One More Acorn*](#) by Don Freeman
- [*Earl the Squirrel*](#) by Don Freeman
- [*Nuts to You*](#) by Lynne Rae Perkins
- [*The Busy Little Squirrel*](#) by Nancy Tafuri
- [*Squirrels Leap, Squirrels Sleep*](#) by April Pulley Sayre
- [*The Secret Lives of Squirrels*](#) by Nancy Rose
- [*The Squirrels Busy Year: A First Science Story Book*](#) by Martin Jenkins
- [*Squirrels Family Tree*](#) by Beth Ferry
- [*Squirrels Fall Search*](#) by Anita Loughrey
- [*Scaredy Squirrel*](#) by Melanie Watt
- [*Gray Squirrels*](#) by G.G. Lake
- [*Those Darn Squirrels*](#) by Adam Rubin
- [*Little Acorn*](#) by Igloo Books
- [*Because of an Acorn*](#) by Lola M. Schaefer
- [*From Acorn to Oak Tree*](#) by Emma Carlson-Berne