MISSOURI BUILDING BLOCK
PICTURE BOOK AWARD

Dandy
By Ame Dyckman
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Related Books:
Knuffle Bunny: A Cautionary Tale by Mo Willems
Nelly Gnu and Daddy Too by Anna Dewdney
Pet Dad by Elanna Allen
Dad By My Side by Soosh
Daddy-Sitting by Eve Coy
Because I’m Your Dad by Ahmet Zappa, illustrated by Dan Santat
Made for Me by Zack Bush, illustrated by Gregorio De Lauretis
Interrupting Chicken by David Ezra Stein
Hair Love by Matthew E. Cherry, illustrated by Vashti Harrison
The Big Bed by Bunmi Laditan, illustrated by Tom Knight

Rhymes:

Lion Cubs
(Count on your fingers, or you could make lions to put on a flannel board)
One cub napping in the sun,
Two cubs playing pounce and run.
Three cubs make a special wish,
Four cubs fishing for a fish.
Five cubs hiding in the grass,
Six cubs running really fast.
Seven cubs blinking crossed blue eyes,
Eight cubs chasing butterflies.
Nine cubs cuddled tail to head,
Ten cubs bouncing on the bed.

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**Five Little Lions**  
Five little lions out for a stroll (hold out five fingers).  
One tripped on his tail and started to roll (roll your hands - roll them really fast!).  
He bounced on a rock and landed with a growl (growl nice and angry).  
How many lions are left to prowl? (and repeat the verse while counting down).

**Songs:**

**My Special Friend**  
(Tune: Yankee Doodle)  
Daddy is my special friend,  
The two of us are buddies,  
I really love the things we do,  
"Thank you" to my Daddy. “

**Hugs for Daddy**  
(Tune: "Ten Little Indians")  
One little, two little, three little hugs.  
Four little, five little, six little hugs,  
Seven little, eight little, nine little hugs,  
Ten little hugs for Daddy.  
One big, two big, three big hugs,  
Four big, five big, six big hugs,  
Seven big, eight big, nine big hugs,  
Ten big hugs for Daddy

**D-A-D-D-Y**  
(Tune: Bingo)  
I know a special kind of guy  
And Daddy is his name-O!  
D-A-D-D-Y  
D-A-D-D-Y  
D-A-D-D-Y  
And Daddy is his name-O!

**Activities:**

Paint a Thumbprint Dandelion – print the drawing, add painted thumbprints, blow, and make a wish! [Glued to My Crafts Blog](https://www.gluedtomycraftsblog.com)

Make a “dandy lion” – Create a lion face and add it to any dandelion to create a “dandy lion.” [https://thepinterestedparent.com/2017/05/dandelion-lions-nature-craft/](https://thepinterestedparent.com/2017/05/dandelion-lions-nature-craft/)

Dish Out a Dandelion Painting – Use an old dish brush, add some paint, and make some great dandelion art. [https://www.craftymorning.com/dish-brush-dandelions-craft-kids/](https://www.craftymorning.com/dish-brush-dandelions-craft-kids/)

Make your own lion mane!: [https://family.disney.com/craft/lion-guard-mask/](https://family.disney.com/craft/lion-guard-mask/)