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“A Little Brown Bear”
A little brown bear, went in search of some honey (shade eyes with hand)
Isn’t it funny, a bear wanting honey? (shrug shoulders)
He sniffed at the breeze (lift head and pretend to sniff)
And listened for bees (hold hand to ear)
And wouldn’t you believe it (shake index finger)
He even climbed trees! (pretend to climb)
Source: Bridge to Reading - bridgetoreading.com

Songs:
“Grizzly Bears”
*Sung to “Mary Had a Little Lamb”*
Grizzly bears are big and brown,
Big and brown, big and brown,
Grizzly bears are big and brown,
And live out in the woods.

Polar bears are soft and white.
Soft and white, soft and white,
Polar bears are soft and white,
And live out where it’s cold.

Teddy bears are just my size,
Just my size, just my size,
Teddy bears are just my size,
To cuddle with at night.

Source: Bridge to Reading - bridgetoreading.com

“Goin’ on a Bear Hunt” from *Kids in Action* (2000) by Greg and Steve

Activities:
Fork-Painted Bears
Supplies: Construction paper or paper plates; paint; plastic forks; glue; scissors; mix of materials to add details: googly eyes, pipe cleaners, puff balls. Let kids stick their fork tines in paint and use the design to create a fuzzy bear. Add eyes, nose, and glasses for Fergus using extra pieces of paper and other craft supplies.
Source: Teaching Books - https://www.teachingbooks.net/activityguide.cgi?id=58896

Find Fergus
Take pictures of stuffed bears/animals then hide them in your space before children arrive. After reading, show pictures of the hidden stuffed bears and ask children to find them.