A Good Place
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Related Books:
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Rhymes:
“Here is the Beehive”
Here is the beehive
but where are the bees?
Hidden away where nobody sees
Watch and you'll see them come out of the hive
1, 2, 3, 4, 5... They're alive!
Buzzzzzzz

Source: Jbrary - https://youtu.be/8X0FjXqCw0Y?si=2eKxwOORB-DUs8rz

“Dig a Little Hole”
Dig a little hole, (pretend to dig)
Plant a little seed, (pretend to drop in seed)
Pour a little water, (pretend to pour)
Pull a little weed. (pretend to pull up weed)
Chase a little bug, (flick hand to one side)
Oh! There he goes! (cup hand over eye)

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Give a little sunshine, *(circle arms overhead)*
Grow a little rose!  *(pretend to smell sweet flower)*

Source: King County Library System - https://kcls.org/content/dig-a-little-hole/

**Songs:**

“A Bug is On My Knee”
*Sung to “The Farmer in the Dell”*
A bug is on my knee,
A bug is on my knee,
Hi-ho watch him go,
A bug is on my knee!

*Repeat with: toe, nose, head, elbow, etc.*

Source: adapted from Jbrary - https://youtu.be/S6u8YiyrS-A?si=TiLMZs8yMVVPiWv

“Bug Song”
*Sung to “The Wheels on the Bus”*
The firefly at night goes blink blink blink
Blink blink blink blink blink
The firefly at night goes blink blink blink
All through the garden

*Repeat with:*
*The bees in the flowers go buzz buzz buzz...*
*The ants in the grass go march march march...*
*The crickets in the leaves go chirp chirp*
*The caterpillar in the field goes creep creep creep...*

Source: adapted from King County Library System - https://kcls.org/content/bug-song/

**Activities:**

Build-a-Bug (or Flower) Craft
A great open-ended craft to encourage kids’ creativity and imagination! Simply provide a variety of cut out paper shapes, glue sticks, and coloring supplies. Have kids create their own bugs by combining the shapes and drawing/coloring each bugs’ features. Here is a similar idea, but for creating flowers from shapes instead, from Paper and Glue: https://www.paper-and-glue.com/2016/02/invitation-to-create-flower-garden-kids-craft.html

Garden Scavenger Hunt
Create your own or use this one from Homeschool Share:
https://www.homeschoolshare.com/garden-scavenger-hunt/
Bug Hotel
Create a cozy home for bugs in your backyard using recycled and natural materials.
Example from Happy Toddler Playtime: https://happytoddlerplaytime.com/how-to-make-a-bug-hotel-fun-craft-for-kids/
Example from Red Ted Art: https://www.redtedart.com/simple-bug-hotel-for-kids/