MISSOURI BUILDING BLOCK
PICTURE BOOK AWARD

People Are Wild
By Margaux Meganck

Related Books:
All We Need by Kathy Wolff, Illustrated by Margaux Meganck
The Marvelous Mustard Seed by Amy-Jill Levine, Illustrated by Sandy Eisenberg Sasso
Who Counts? : 100 Sheep, 10 Coins, and 2 Sons by Amy-Jill Levine, Illustrated by Sandy Eisenberg Sasso
The Woodsman by Shaun Brennan, Illustrated by Margaux Meganck
Is Your Mama a Llama? by Deborah Guarino, Illustrated by Steven Kellogg
Does a Kangaroo Have a Mother, Too? by Eric Carle
A Color of His Own by Leo Leonni

Rhymes:
“Five Silly Monkeys”
Five silly monkey (Hold up five fingers)
Swingin’ on a vine, (Swing fingers)
Laughin’ in the treetops
Everything was fine.
But then the wind blew, (Put hands beside mouth and blow)
One monkey fell–
There were five monkeys, (Hold up five fingers)
Now there are four. (Fold down one finger)

(repeat with four, three, two)

One silly monkey
Swingin’ on a vine,
Laughin’ in the treetops,
Everything was fine.
But then the wind blew,
The monkey fell–

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No more monkeys,
That's the end of this tale! (Hold fist up)

Songs:
“Head, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes”
Head, shoulders, knees, and toes–knees and toes,
Head, shoulders, knees, and toes–knees and toes,
And eyes, and ears, and mouth, and nose,
Head, shoulders, knees, and toes–knees and toes!

Knees, tummy, neck and nose–neck and nose!
Knees, tummy, neck, and nose–neck and nose!
And shoulders, hands, and two elbows,
Knees, tummy, neck, and nose–neck and nose!

(repeat song again faster)

“The More We Get Together”
*Sung to “Did You Ever See a Lassie?”*
The more we get together,
Together, together,
The more we get together,
The happier we'll be.
For your friends are my friends
And my friends are your friends.
The more we get together,
The happier we'll be.

Activities:
Matching Game – Using flash cards with animal babies and parents, play a memory/matching game. Variation: place one “Old Maid” in the stack and play like “Old Maid”.

Fork Painting – Provide outlines of different animals and various colors of paint. Have children dip forks into paint, then press and drag paint onto patterns to create beautiful art.