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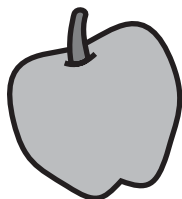
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She made me feel special and she made coming to school
the most exciting thing in my life!

My wish is that the activities in this book will instill
the same love of learning in your children!



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The Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly

Body Puppet

The Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly

I know an old lady
Who swallowed a fly.

I don't know why
She swallowed a fly,
Perhaps she'll cry.

I know an old lady
Who swallowed a **spider**
That wiggled and jiggled
And tickled inside her . . .

She swallowed the **spider**
To catch the fly.

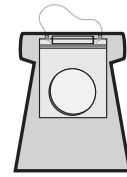
I don't know why
She swallowed a fly,
Perhaps she'll cry.

Materials: copy of page 9 (have several children color and cut out the animals in advance), crayons, two sheets poster board (one white, one colored), stockings, large self-sealing bag, construction paper, scissors, tape, markers, glue, string, stapler

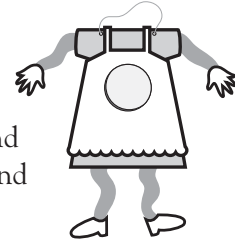
How To:

1. Cut a dress from poster board (the size of your torso). Cut an apron from the white paper and glue it onto the dress.

2. Cut a six-inch circle in the center and tape the plastic bag to the back. Cut out hands and shoes from construction paper.



3. Cut the legs off the stockings and cut each leg in half. Staple the "arms" and "legs" to the body, and then staple on the hands and shoes.



4. Punch two holes at the top and string the puppet around your neck. Then sing the song and insert the animals that children have colored as you sing, facing out so children can see them in the "stomach," according to the verses (see below).

Additional verses:

Bird (How absurd she swallowed a bird)

Cat (Imagine that . . .)

Dog (What a hog . . .)

Goat (Just opened her throat and . . .)

Cow (I don't know how . . .)

Horse (This is a silly song, of course!)

