



### Animals At The Zoo

Animals At The Zoo" is a collection of original easy-to-learn songs that teach children about animals they may visit at the zoo. Since children have an affinity for animals and musical rhythms, songs are excellent vehicles to educate children in a fun way about some of the animals that live in their world. The collection also creates an appreciation for different species, and evokes self expression, feelings, and imagination.

Bobby Susser

For Children Ages 2-8, Grades Pre-K-3, including ESL & Special Education Children. Parent/Teacher notes, suggested activities and lyrics included. Home & Classroom Tested.

## Animals At The Zoo (Prelude) by Bobby Susser

The child/children may listen or sing along to this prelude of the introductory song, "A Trip To The Zoo".
 The parent/teacher should tell the child/children that animals at the zoo may be looked at but not touched because they may be dangerous.

at the zoo It's always so much fun for me and you There's nothing like the animals Nothing like the zoo There's nothing like the animals at the zoo

There's nothing like the animals

#### A Trip To The Zoo by Bobby Susser

- The child/children may sing along.
   The child/children may clap his/her/their hands to the music.
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  3. The parent/teacher may ask the child/children to name his/her/their favorite animal in this sona.
- 4. The parent/teacher may show the child/children pictures of animals at the zoo from magazines, picture books, posters, etc.

Come on everybody we're going to take a trip to the zoo
The monkeys will be jumping

The monkeys will be jumping and the birds are going to sing for you The lions will be roaring And hop goes the kangaroo

The elephants and zebras were brought to us from Africa
The parrot that keeps talking came all the way from Aruba
We'll even see a turtle
That once lived in Florida

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The seal will be swimming and splashing

water on the floor And Alice the giraffe has the longest neck you ever saw The animals are such fun So what are we waiting for

Come on everybody we're going to take

a trip to the zoo
The animals will love us and
we're going
to love them too
We're going to take a trip to the zoo
We're going to take a trip to the zoo
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We're going to take a trip to the zoo

### A Parrot Can't Keep A Secret by Bobby Susser

- The child/children may join in and sing the line "A parrot can't keep a secret".
- If the setting is appropriate and safe the child/children may want to dance

to the song.

3. The parent/teacher may want to ask the child/children the question, "What is a secret?"

4. The parent/teacher may want to ask the child/children if he/she/they have a friend who can keep a secret.

A rabbit could keep a secret A carrot could keep a secret But everybody knows that they talk talk talk So a parrot can't keep a secret A parrot can't keep a secret Everybody knows that they talk talk talk talk talk So a parrot can't keep a secret A parrot can't keep a secret A parrot can't keep a secret A parrot can't keep a secret

I had a real surprise for my brother's birthday Just the perfect size a friendly dog named JJ I made just one mistake and told it to my parrot Who told my brother Jake a dog's behind the cabinet

Oh no no no no Oh no no no no Oh no no no no Oh no no no no

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## A Joey by Bobby Susser

- 1. The child/children may join in the chorus.
- If the setting is appropriate and safe, the child/children may hop around and pretend to be a mommy kangaroo with a joey in its pouch.
   The parent/teacher may display
- pictures of joeys in the pouch of kangaroos.

Da Da

I know that this may sound confusing It may even sound a little funny to you But a baby kangaroo is called a Joey Even if the baby's name is Jimmy or Sue

A Joey
A Joey
A Joey is a baby kangaroo
A Joey
A Joey
A Joey
A Joey
A Joey is a baby kangaroo

Today I saw a little Joey Sleeping in the pouch on the mommy kangaroo And so comiy in the pouch on mommy's belly The baby slept while mommy hopped around the zoo

What a beautiful sight
What a beautiful sight
A kangaroo hopping all around
With her baby sleeping safe and sound

A Joey A Joey A Joey is a baby kangaroo A Joey

A Joey A Joey is a baby kanaaroo

A Joey is a baby kangaroo

#### The Friendly King Of The Jungle (Hi There) by Bobby Susser

1. The child/children may join in the chorus or just sing, "Hi There".

2. The parent/teacher should ask the child/children to name the animal

child/children to name the amimal (lion) known as the king of the jungle.

3. If the setting is appropriate and safe, the child/children may want to march around in a circle and pretend to be the friendly king of the jungle.

 The child/children may roar like a lion.

5. The parent/teacher may display various pictures of lions and/or read a lion picture book to the child/children.

Da He walks with his head up high He roars 'cause he's proud to be the king His golden hair is pretty from his nose right to his tail Imagine what he'd say if he could sing

Hi there Hi there I am the friendly king of the jungle Hi there Hi there I am the friendly king of the jungle

I am the friendly king of the jungle
He knows you can't play with him
So he puts on a daily show for you
He dribbles a basketball
from his left side to his right
I wonder what else he can really do

Hi there
Hi there
Hi there
I can the friendly king of the jungle
Hi there
Hi there
I can the friendly king of the jungle
I can the friendly king of the jungle
I can the friendly king of the jungle

Hi there Hi there I cam the friendly king of the jungle Hi there Hi there I cam the friendly king of the jungle I cam the friendly king of the jungle Hi there

### A Turtle Named Tommy by Bobby Susser

 The child/children may join in the chorus.
 The child/children may draw a picture of Tommy the turtle.
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picture of Tommy the turtle.

3. If the child's/children's age and maturity has reached a readiness, the parent/teacher may want to discuss the concept, that we can reach our goals even though we may come upon personal or external stumbling blocks. And that we can accomplish what we plan to do just like Tommy the turtle.

4. If the setting is appropriate and safe,

4. If the setting is appropriate and safe, the child/children may want to slowly walk around and pretend to be Tommy the turtle He's something that you've never seen And at first you might think it's a dream He weighs about one thousand pounds So it takes a lot longer for him to walk

A turtle named Tommy He loves to eat salami A turtle named Tommy Slowly walks But always on time time time

ground

There's something that we all should know He gets to where he wants to go And even if he takes a fall He gets back up on his big fat feet and starts to craw!

A turtle named Tommy He loves to eat salami A turtle named Tommy Slowly walks But always on time time time

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A turtle named Tommy
He loves to eat salami
A turtle named Tommy
Slowly walks
But always on time time time

If you think you can't do your stuff When you feel that something's too tough Just think of what Tommy can do You can do anything that you really want to do

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#### An Elephant Named Ed by Bobby Susser

 The child/children may sing along.
 If the setting is appropriate and safe, the child/children may pantomime the song.

3. The parent/teacher want to tell the child/children that elephants are the largest animals that live on land.

4. The parent/leacher may want to discuss with the child/children things an elephant can do with its trunk, like breathes and smells with it, uses it to eat and drink (carries food and water to its mouth with its trunk), and grasp objects with it fust as a person does with a hand.

5. The parent/teacher may tell the child/children that elephants are very smart and have excellent memories. Then ask the child/children to draw a picture of an elephant that is doing something that it learned.

There's an elephant named Ed With a big big head And he once said I wish that I could fit my head in a real soft bed

He can tickle his round toes With his long long nose It's not a hose This real long trunk we call his nose that can touch his toes

He'll remember every name In his big smart brain He learns hard games Learns hard games and remembers names in his big smart brain

And he has such different friends Like the mouse and hen Named Ben and Gwen He has so many different friends like the mouse and hen

You can see much more of Ed With his big big head Just go ahead Right to the zoo where you'll see Ed with his big big head

# <u>Matthew The Monkey</u> by Bobby Susser

- The child/children may join in the chorus.
- 2. If the setting is appropriate and safe, the child/children may want to jump and dance like Matthew the monkey.

- 3. The child/children may draw a picture of a monkey and a red rocking chair.
- 4. The child/children may want to pantomime a monkey in the zoo who is happy to see an old friend visit them.

He looked in my eyes and waved at me And then he jumped way up high I thought as I watched now could this be The one I saw last July He swung on a bar from here to there He clapped his hands in the air Then he slowly walked and sat right there
In his great red rocking chair

Matthew the monkey
Matthew the monkey
No one else can rock that chair
No one else can sit right there
No one else has his name there
But Matthew the monkey

Matthew the monkey
Matthew the monkey
No one else can rock that chair
No one else can sit right there
No one else has his name there
But Matthew the monkey

He jumped and he danced and smiled at me he jumped and danced all around I did believe he remembered me He looked at me up and down It's great to see a friend somewhere Someone who really cares Someone you know who is always there In his great red rocking chair

Matthew the monkey
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#### A Horse With Stripes by Bobby Susser

- The child/children may sing the line, "Zach the zebra is a horse with stripes".

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- The child/children may clap hands to the sona.
- 3. The parent/teacher may want to tell the child/children that zebras' stripes make them different than all other members of the horse family. And that some zebras have dark brown and white stripes.
- white stripes.

  4. The parent/teacher may want to read a picture book about zebras to the child/children.

Zach the zebra is a horse with stripes Zach the zebra is a horse with stripes Black and white Like the keys of a piano Zach the zebra is a horse with stripes

Da Da Da Da Da Da Da
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Da Da
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Da Da
Da Da Da Da Da
Da Da Da Da Da
Da Da Da Da Da Da
Da Da Da Da Da Da

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Da Da

Da Da Da Da Da Da Da Da Da Da Da Da Da Da Da Da Da

Alice The Giraffe by Bobby Susser

- 1. The child/children may join in the chorus.
- The parent/teacher may display a poster of a giraffe.
- 3. The parent/teacher may tell the child/children that the giraffe is the tallest of all animals, taller than the great big elephant which is the second tallest animal.
- 4. The child/children may draw a

picture of Alice the giraffe with its long neck and big brown eyes.

I still can't see your face I still can't see your face Bring it down to my face Bring it down to my face So I can see you smile

Alice Alice Alice the giraffe Alice Alice I have to look so high High up to the sky To see your big brown eyes

You're taller than some trees Vou're taller than some trees Just sit down next to me Just sit down next to me So I can see you smile

Alice Alice Alice the giraffe Alice Alice I have to look so high High up to the sky To see your big brown eyes

If I stand on my toes I still can't touch your nose Bend on down to my toes So I can touch your nose And I can see you smile

Alice Alice Alice the giraffe Alice Alice I have to look so high High up to the sky To see your big brown eyes

There's A Seal At The Zoo by Bobby Susser

1. The child/children may sing the

line. "There's a seal at the zoo" 2. Some children may wish to sing. "Mmm mmm mmm", before each verse and at the very end. 3. If the setting is appropriate and safe. the child/children may pantomime the

4. The parent/teacher may show the child/children pictures of seals so he/she/they can draw a seal. Some children may want to draw pictures of a seal with slippers.

Mmm mmm mmm There's a seal at the zoo And he swims all around With his four big flippers There's a seal at the zoo And he walks on the ground On his four big flippers No he has no slippers Mmm mmm mmm

There's a seal at the zoo And he swims up to you With a splish splash splashina There's a seal at the zoo And he nods how are you With a splish splash splashing And he sends you dashing Mmm mmm mmm

There's a seal at the zoo And he claps just for you With his two front flippers There's a seal at the zoo And he jumps up for you On his two back flippers No he has no slippers Mmm mmm mmm

The Birds Fly And Sing by Bobby Susser

1. The child/children may sing the lines. "And they go flying singing all

the way". Some may sing the entire song and some may just listen. 2. If the setting is appropriate and safe the child/children may pretend to be a bird spreading its wings, flapping its wings, flying, and singing, 3. The parent/teacher may want to display pictures of various birds such . as sparrows, blackbirds, robins, bluebirds, cardinals, etc., as well as some pet birds found in homes like the parakeet and canary

The birds spread their wings The birds flap their wings And they go flying Singing all the way And they go flying Singing all the way It makes you feel so easy It makes you feel so easy The sound of singing birds flying in the air The sound of singing birds flying in the air

There are some other things that look real nice There are some other things that sound real nice But there's something special about the sight and sound The sound of birds singing from the sky to the ground

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Bobby Susser, M.A. Communication Arts and Sciences and Early Childhood Education, Columbia University, has written and produced original easy-to-learn children's songs for over twenty years as well as the internationally acclaimed, "Once You Understand", for teenagers. Three times an Early Childhood News Directors' Choice Award Winner and recipient of Dr. Toy's/ The Institute of Childhood Resources "Best Children's Vacation Products Award", Susser chooses and works with several types of singers and musicians depending upon the song, style, and subject matter. He feels that the performance as well as the sona must be believable, honest, and sincere. These important qualities are the running threads throughout his original songs. Listen to his songs and you'll discover a serious and careful effort to help kindle imagination, empathy, understanding, compassion, and socialization in our children, which are key elements in the development of the self. Like his songs, Bobby Susser is believable, honest, and sincere. He's an original!



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