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HOW TO USE CHARLOTTE DIAMOND'S SONG CARDS (BIG BOOKS)

Song cards are proven, successful tools for use in early literacy programs, which introduce children to the love of reading. The words to each song are written on individual **11"x17" heavy card stock** and are beautifully illustrated. The children listen to the words as they are sung by either a teacher or parent or played on a CD. As they do this, they follow the words on the song cards. Soon they are singing and reading! As children love to repeat a song that they love over and over, the vocabulary and sentence structure are reinforced.

TO ASSEMBLE YOUR SONG CARDS (BIG BOOKS)

Colour the pages using washable, coloured felt markers. Use thin tipped for more detail. For example, Crayola – Washable Markers

Then laminate the pages. Using an individual hole punch, make two holes at the bottom of the pages – about four inches in from the sides and $\frac{3}{4}$ inch from the bottom. Then insert two metal rings that will hold the pages together.

When reading with the children, the pages flip forward and down as you read. Draw attention to the pictures to help tell the story. Leave out a word at the end of a line so that the children learn to rhyme. Songs are great for providing lots of rhyming words!

Children will love to read the Song Cards (Big Books) to each other as they sit on the floor and turn the pages. Soon they will be making their own Big Books and writing their own variations of my songs. The song is just the beginning!

Good luck! Enjoy "Shared Reading" and singing with your children.

"Three Books a Day, that's the minimum,

Three Books a Day, not the maximum.

Don't forget to read at least "Three Books a Day"! *Charlotte Diamond*

Available as a complete song download on Charlotte's web site [here](#).

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