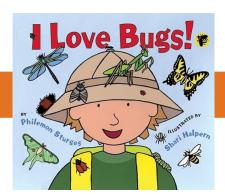
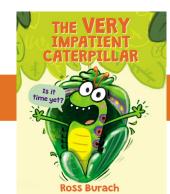
Early Literacy Tips, Activities & More









# tales' tip

**READING** together and talking about what you read helps children increase their vocabulary and background knowledge, learn how books work, but also helps children develop a love of reading. (CLEL)

## activity

Make your favorite bugs with play dough. Cut the play dough and roll it into your bug's shape. Add in antennae, eyes, and a happy smile! Make a group of friendly crawlers to explore with.

#### READ

Hank's Big Day by Evan Kuhlman

The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle

Moth & Butterfly: Ta-Da! By Dev Petty

By Alli Brydon

Arabella Miller's Tiny Caterpillar By Clare Jarrett

### PLAY

Pretend play helps kids understand the world around them. Play "Bug Hunter" with your favorite stuffed animal as your sidekick as you search for bugs in and around your home. See how many different bugs you can find!

## SING

#### **Bumblebee**

Bumblebee, bumblebee, landing on my nose\* (touch nose)

Bumblebee, bumblebee, now he's on my toes\* (Touch toes)

On my arms\*, on my legs\*, and on my elbows\* (bounce on arms, legs, elbow)

Bumblebee, bumblebee, he lands and then he goes\* (take off!)

# digital fun

Watch and learn fun facts about your favorite insects!

https://youtu.be/iJlfBNyBKQA? si=HxDOAlHn 91hDPbW

### TALK

Talking builds a child's vocabulary, which will help them understand what they are reading later on. Have a conversation with them about their favorite bugs and what they think the bugs do. What are the benefits or downsides of the buas?

### WRITE

Have your child trace the words in books, cereal boxes, and more to work on the foundation of their writing skills. Tracing the words while you read books together helps build their vocabulary as well!