5 little ducks went out one day *(hold up hand with 5 ‘duck’ finger puppets)*

Over the hill, and far away. *(wave hand high and bring down behind back)*

Mother Duck said, “Quack! Quack! Quack! Quack!” *(other hand as “Mother Duck” goes ‘quack’)*

But only 4 little ducks came back. *(flick one puppet behind you, bring hand back with only four.)*

4 little ducks went out one day *(continue as above)*

3 little ducks went out one day

2 little ducks went out one day

1 little duck went out one day

No little ducks went out one day

Over the hill, and far away.

Mother Duck said, “Quack! Quack! Quack! Quack!”

And all the 5 little ducks came back. *(pick up the 5 finger puppets and show)*

*Alternatives:*

* Just use fingers, and bend fingers over when they don’t come back.
* Let children play the part of the little ducks and Mother Duck.