Key Vocabulary: Hickory Dickory Dock

Connecting words to movement and meaning

Young children learn language best through meaningful experiences. Rather than teaching vocabulary in isolation, we invite you to weave these words into everyday interactions. As children explore, play, and move, notice when they naturally embody these actions and name them in context, "Are you crouching down like that to hide?" or "Look at that worm wriggling along the ground." This helps children connect words to movement and meaning, just like they do when they act out a story in Story Steps. Let these expressive words become part of your shared language, enriching both storytelling and daily interactions

Scurry Scurry around like a little mouse.	**twitch** Can you twitch your nose?
Crouch Crouch down low.	**wriggle** Let's wriggle our claws.

