

Perry Public Library Storytime

Dig It! Haul It! Build It!



Stories we shared:

Billions of Bricks: by Kurt Cyrus

Blocks: by Irene Dickson

Construction Crew: by Lynn Meltzer

Other stories you may enjoy:

Mighty Mighty Construction Site: by Sherri Rinker

Big Dig: by Paul Stickland

I Love Trucks: by Philemon Sturges

Building Our House: by Bean, Jonathan

Building With Dad: by Nevius, Carol

One Big Building : by Dahl, Michael

I'm Good At Building: by Day, Eileen M.

Spot The Bird On The Building Site :by Khan, Sarah

Trucks: by Gail Gibbons

The Best Doghouse Ever! by Tillworth, Mary

Dig! : Andrea Zimmerman

C is for construction : Caterpillar

Get to work trucks! : by Don Carter

Building a house : by Byron Barton

Building machines and what they do : Derek Radford

Totally Strange Buildings: by Lisa Harrington

See How they work: by Jonathan Pavia

Stanley the Builder: by William Bee

Roadwork: by Sally Sutton

Build this City: Scholastic

Construction Alphabet Book: by Jerry Pallotta

Who Made This Cake? by Nakagawa, Chihiro

Whose Tools: by Tony Buzzeo

Power Lifting: by Craig Carey

The Best Part Of Daddy's Day: by Alexander, Claire

Go! Go! Go! Stop! by Harper, Charise

Dig Dogs Dig: by James Horvath

Cliffords Pals: by Norman Bridwell

I'm Dirty: by Kate McMullan

I drive a dump truck: by Sarah Bridges

Ready Set Build! by Meg Fleming

Bang! Boom! Roar! : by Evans, Nate

Raise the Roof: by Anastasia Suen

Dump Truck Duck: by Bryant, Megan

Things that go: by Anne Rockwell

Big Wheels: by Anne Rockwell

Trucks: by Anne Rockwell

Make way for trucks: by Gail Herman

How many trucks can a tow truck tow? by C. Douglass

Hard hat area : Susan L. Roth

A day in the life of a construction worker : by H. Adamson

B is for bulldozer : June Sobel

Alphabet under construction : Denise Fleming

Diggers and other construction machines : Jon Richards

How a house is built : by Gail Gibbons

Hour to build a house: by Lacey Saskia

Tinkerlab: by Rachelle Doorley

Build dogs Build: by James Horvath

Froggy Builds a treehouse: by Jonathan London

Tools we Use /Builders: Dana Rau

Building Site: by Claire Lloyd

Little Excavator: by Anna Dewdney

Good Night Good Night Construction Site: by Sherri Rinker

From Here To There: by Skultety, Nancy

Full Strength: by Craig Carey

Diggers Go: by Steve Light

Work Dogs Work: by James Horvath

Bulldozer's Big Day: by Candace Flemming

Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel: by Virginia Lee Burton

Machines go to work: by William Low



Early Literacy Extras:

- ✓ Talk about words like “brick, build, building, dig, digging, dump, dumping, construction” sound out the different parts of the words. Clap once for each syllable of the word.

- ✓ Help your child think of words that rhyme with “dig” (big, pig, wig, jig) – make up silly rhymes with these words.
- ✓ Help your child find words / things that start with the “D and B”- “duh, buh” sounds (dinner, doll, dance, door, bus, bug, bring) during the day and all around the house.
- ✓ When you read together, let your child hold the book and turn the pages – this is a great time to sneak in extra snuggles!
- ✓ Find things around the house that you can stack and build with – cereal boxes, books, plastic containers,
- ✓ Look at different types of buildings and talk about how they are the same and different. What were they built with (wood, stone, bricks), what are they used for (a home, a store, a barn), are they big or small?

- ✓ The sense of rhythm obtained from listening to songs and rhymes will help your child to identify patterns, like rhyming words, which will help them learn to read. Because songs automatically break down words into smaller sounds through tones, singing with your child is one of the best ways develop early literacy skills. Try the songs and rhymes below!

Songs and rhymes to share:

Dump Truck *(bounce on knees)*

Dump truck dump truck
Bumpin' down the road
Spillin' gravel as you travel
With your heavy load
Bumpety bumpety bump
Dump truck dump truck - Dump! *(tip sideways)*

Bumpin' Up And Down

(sung to "Bumpin' up and down in my little red wagon")

Bumpin' up and down in my yellow dump truck
(bounce on knees)
Bumpin' up and down in my yellow dump truck
Bumpin' up and down in my yellow dump truck
Dumpin' out the load! *(tip sideways)*
-repeat with "I've got _____ in my dump truck"

Wheels on the Bus

The wheels on the truck go round and round *(roll hands)*
Round and round, round and round
The wheels on the truck go round and round
All through the town
-Repeat with...
The shovel on the truck goes dig dig dig
The bucket on the truck goes dump dump dump
The horn on the truck goes honk honk honk

Five Little Nails

Five little nails, standing straight and steady *(hold up 5 fingers)*
Here I come with my hammer ready! *(hold up imaginary hammer)*
Bam, bam, bam! *(pound fists together)*
- repeat with...four little nails...

Construction Worker Song

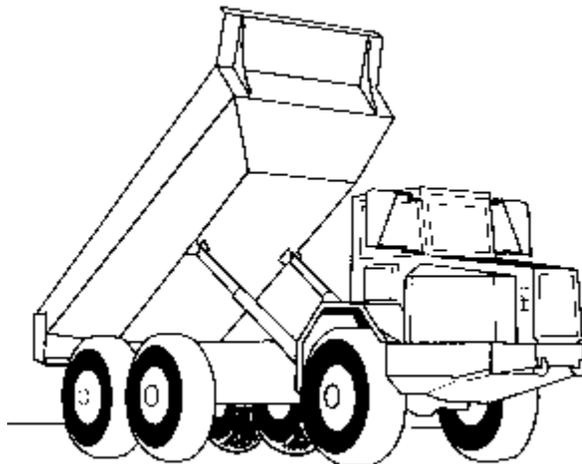
This is the way we pound our nails, pound our nails, pound our nails *(pound fists together)*
This is the way we pound our nails, so early in the morning
- repeat with saw the wood, turn a screw, stack the bricks, stir the paint, paint the walls

My Little House

I'm going to build a little house with windows wide and bright. *(Stretch arms out to sides)*
With chimney tall and curling smoke rising out of sight. *(stand and spiral hands upward)*
In winter when the snowflakes fall *(flutter fingers downward)*
Or when there is a storm, *(swirl hands around)*
I'll go and sit inside my house *(sit back down)*
Where I'll be snug and warm. *(hug self)*

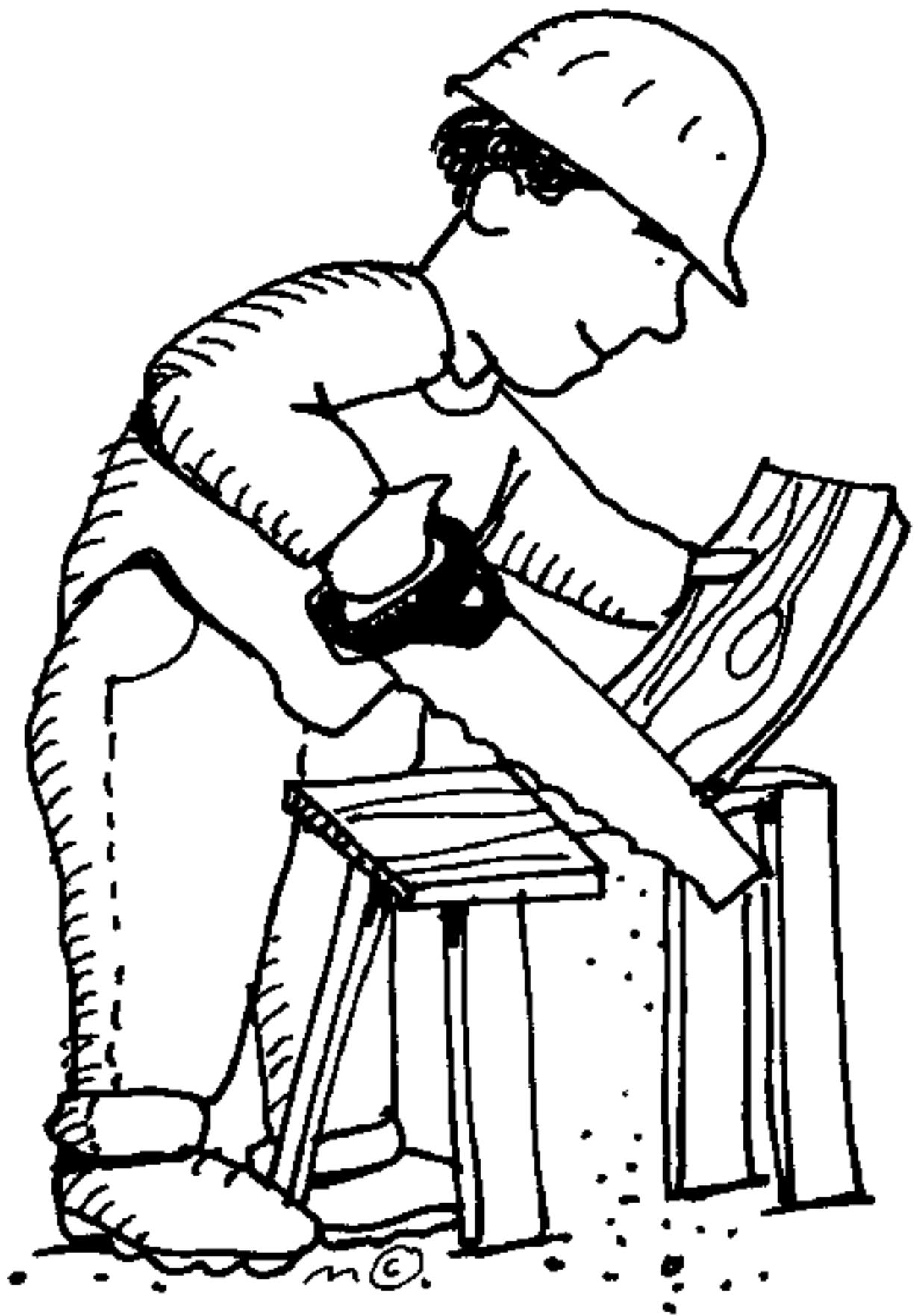
The carpenter's hammer

The carpenter's hammer goes rap, rap, rap; *(make a fist of one hand and pound in the palm of the other)*
And his saw goes see, saw, see; *(Move arm in sawing motion.)*
He hammers and hammers, *(hammer)*
And saws and saws, *(saw)*
And builds a house for me. *(hold arms overhead like a roof)*

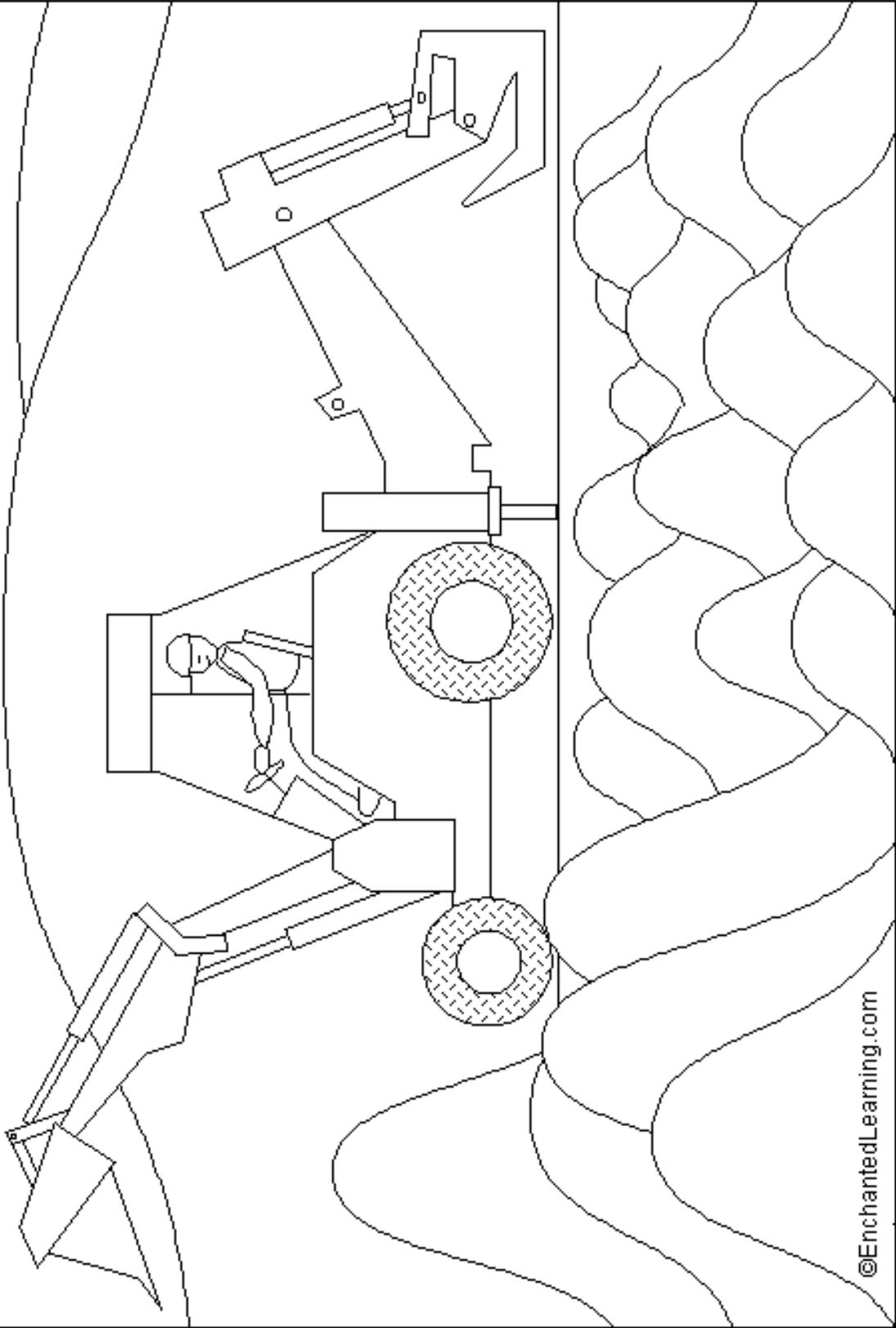


A House for Me

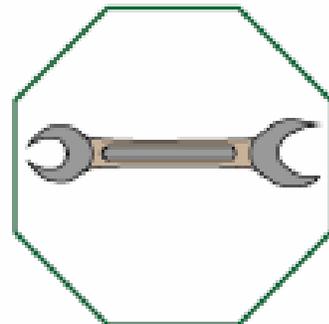
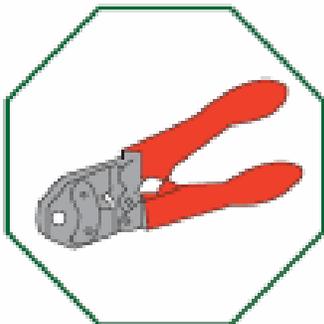
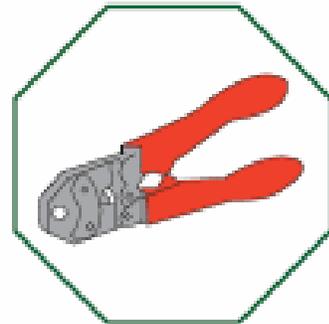
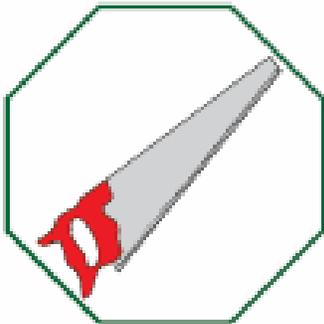
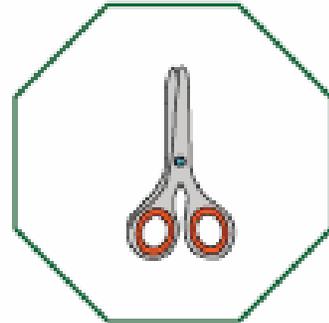
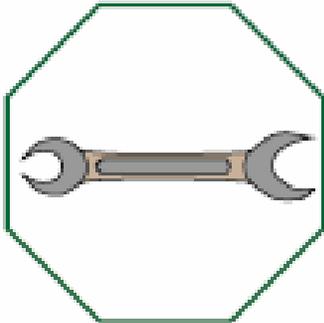
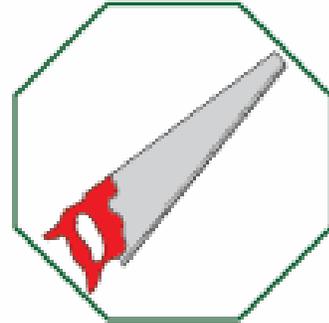
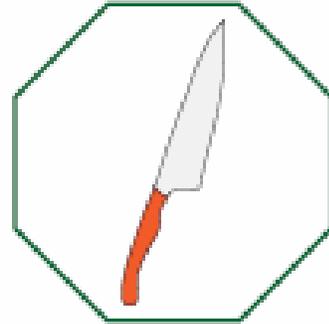
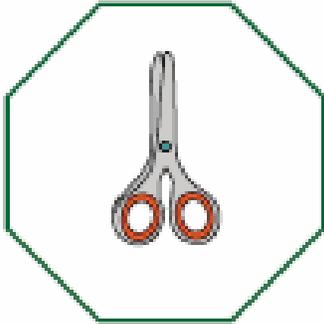
Here is a nest for a bluebird
(Cup hands together)
Here is a hive for a bee
(Place fists together)
Here is a hole for a rabbit
(Form circle with hands)
And here is a house for me.
(Form roof shape with arms)



Steam Shovel



Draw a line to match the tools



Name the trucks



forklift



concrete mixer



fire truck



dump truck



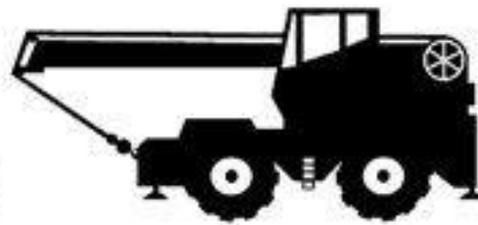
plowing truck



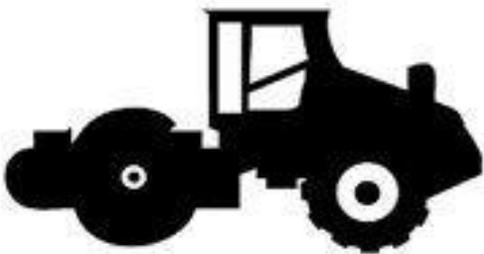
towing truck



hydraulic excavator



crane



road roller



tank truck



tractor



wheel loader



garbage truck



demolition truck

Name the tools