Where's My Nose?
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This rhyming book shows babies looking for their noses; among their clothes, on and under furniture.

Some new words your baby might learn: nose, fingers, toes, face, hat, socks, door.

Before:
• Help your baby become more aware of herself. Put a non-breakable mirror in front of her and point to her face. Say, "Look at_____ (your baby's name). Yes, that's _____!" Say her name several times.
• Point to the baby's face on the cover of the book and say, "Nose." Point to your baby's nose and say, "____'s (baby's name) nose."

During:
• Show your baby her nose in the mirror as you read the story. Say, "Look, there's your nose!"
• Play a "nose game"—rub her nose with your nose.
• Touch your baby's body parts as you read about them in the story (fingers, toes, nose). Ask, "Where's your____?" With excitement say, "There's your_____!"
• Label similar objects in your baby's environment that are shown in the book such as, the floor, door, chair, couch, hat, socks.

After:
• Make up a game about body parts. Ask, "Where is ______'s nose? Where is Mommy's/Daddy's nose? Where is ______'s tummy? Where is your toe?" Stop when your baby grows tired of the game.
• Walk your baby around the house to point out the noses of pets, dolls, and stuffed animals.

Try some of the ideas above. Continue to use your own imagination during book play too. Have fun with the book and enjoy your time together.

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