Read **Who Ate All the Cookie Dough?** by Karen Beaumont. This story is about a kangaroo and her friends who try to discover who ate all of her cookie dough.

Make a list of children's favorite cookies. Illustrate the list with children’s drawings of cookies.

Repeat the rhyming words in the story. By six months, babies are already able to recognize the sounds in the languages that you use when you talk with them.

Chant “Who Stole the Cookie From the Cookie Jar.” Children love to hear their names as part of a chant or song. Chanting and rhyming helps children with phonological awareness.

Play with playdough, cookie cutters, cookie sheets and a pretend oven.

**Early literacy practice for children ages 2-3.** Find these and other tips at [www.earlylit.net](http://www.earlylit.net).

**Explore Early Literacy Practices:** Read, write, talk, sing and play with children every day! When you engage in these practices regularly, you help young children develop essential early literacy skills that prepare them for reading and learning.

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