

Chat, Play, Share

Zoom, Zoom, Zoom

Zoom, zoom, zoom,
We're going to the moon!
Zoom, zoom, zoom,
We'll be there very soon.
If you want to take a trip,
Climb on board my rocket ship.
Zoom, zoom, zoom,
We're going to the moon!
5-4-3-2-1-BLAST OFF

[Zoom Zoom Zoom, We're Going to the Moon | King County Library System \(kcls.org\)](https://www.kcls.org)

Younger children

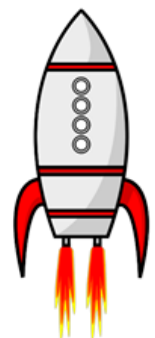
Make this rhyme active and interactive. Start by having your child on your knee. Bounce them in time to the rhyme, and then act like they're the rocket and lift them up at 'blast off!' Next, gently lift them up in the air and zoom them up as the rocket blasts off into space. Make eye contact and finish with a reassuring laugh and cuddle. Try pausing before you 'blast off' and see if your little one gets excited with the anticipation to be lifted up.

Use your voice to build the anticipation with a dramatic pause before the big blast off at the end! It will make the song more exciting and helps children develop their listening skills.

Older children

You can vary songs and rhymes by doing them louder and quieter, or faster and slower. Try singing Zoom, Zoom, Zoom getting faster each time.

This is a great nursery rhyme which can be told as a song or a story. You can act it out with your child using a teddy or doll to lift up and zoom around! This song also helps them learn to count down and listen carefully ready to blast off.



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Chat Play Share...Other ideas you could try....

Share a story together about going to the moon in a space rocket. Chat about the pictures and story. Also read some non-fiction books to explore rockets further. Examples of stories:

- Zoom to the Moon! by Pat-a-Cake
- Whatever Next! by Jill Murphy
- How to Catch a Star by Oliver Jeffers
- Q Pootle 5 in Space by Nick Butterworth and non-fiction
- What is the Moon? by Katie Daynes

Make your own space rocket

Find out about space rockets and draw a design for your own. The four main parts are the structure (body), payload, guidance, and propulsion. These parts are usually stacked on top of each other. The payload is the top, then the guidance, and lastly the propulsion. You can use the cardboard tube from inside a toilet roll. [How to make a Rocket from a Paper Roll? | Easy Rocket | Build a Rocket | Rocket Ship Crafts | DIY - YouTube](#) Talk about the shapes you use, cylinder, circle, square etc. Can you think of anything else the same shape?



Fast and Slow

Discuss vocabulary for different speeds:

- ✚ zoom, whizz, swift, rapid, fast, dash
- ✚ plod, slowly, leisurely, dawdling

Man on the Moon

On a clear night look up at the moon. If you landed on the moon, what might you see?