

## Animal Songs for Preschool – Grade Three

### Pretty Arctic Fox

(Sung to the tune of “Itsy, Bitsy Spider”)

Pretty arctic fox  
Goes out into the snow.

With a white fur coat,  
She’s toasty don’t you know?

Out in the snow  
She’s searching for a snack.

And if she’s lucky hunting,  
She’ll bring a lemming back.

Taken from Your Big Backyard magazine (December 2006)



### Barn Owls

(Sung to the tune of “Hickory Dickory, Dock”)

We’re owls that live in barns.  
Who-who!

We live in a barn that we found.  
Who-who!

We hunt at night.  
We hunt for mice.  
That’s the life of a barn owl.  
Who-who!

We look like we’re standing on stilts.  
Who-who!  
This way and that our heads tilt.  
Who-who!  
Long legs, sharp eyes  
Help us survive.  
They’re good for a barn owl.  
Who-who!

Inspired by “Burrowing Owls” from Your Big Backyard magazine  
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### Baby Grizzly

(Sung to the tune of “Camp Granada”)

Through the forest, field and stream,  
Mom and Bear Cub make a team.  
To learn about grizzly ways,  
Little Bear Cub follows Mom throughout the day.

Into the forest go the pair.  
Roots and bugs are good for bears.  
But to get them, bears must dig.  
Good thing their claws are sharp, and strong, and big.

Down to the stream they go to fish.  
Catching salmon is their wish.  
Mom shows Bear Cub what to do—  
Soon Bear Cub will be catching salmon too.

Taken from Your Big Backyard magazine (June 2006)

### What in the World is a Coati?

(Sung to the tune of “I’ve Been Working on the Railroad”)

What in the world is a coati? (ko-AH-tee)  
I would like to know.  
What in the world is a coati?  
I’d like to say “Hello!”

Coati is a racoon’s cousin.  
Like him, he wears a mask.  
Coati’s got a nose for hunting,  
For bugs, if you should ask!

Coati won’t you go,  
Coati won’t you go,  
Coati won’t you go up in the tree?  
Coati won’t you go,  
Coati won’t you go,  
Coati won’t you climb for me?



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## Animal Group Song

(Sung to the tune of "The Mulberry Bush")

A lion group is called a pride,  
Called a pride, called a pride.  
A lion group is called a pride,  
Roaring all the day.

A group of fish is called a school,  
Called a school, called a school.  
A group of fish is called a school,  
Swimming in the sea.

A group of flamingos is called a stand,  
Called a stand, called a stand,  
A group of flamingos is called a stand,  
Pink as pink can be.

A group of wolves is called a pack,  
Called a pack, called a pack,  
A group of wolves is called a pack,  
Howling all the night.

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## Gecko

(Sung to the tune of "Bingo")

There was a lizard in a tree,  
And gecko was his name-o.  
G-E-C-K-O!  
G-E-C-K-O!  
G-E-C-K-O!  
And gecko was his name-o.

There was a lizard on a ceiling,  
And gecko was his name-o.  
G-E-C-K-O!  
G-E-C-K-O!  
G-E-C-K-O!  
And gecko was his name-o.

There was a lizard in the sand,  
And gecko was his name-o.  
G-E-C-K-O!  
G-E-C-K-O!  
G-E-C-K-O!  
And gecko was his name-o.

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If you are unfamiliar with any of the tunes of these songs, visit [www.niehs.nih.gov/kids/music.htm](http://www.niehs.nih.gov/kids/music.htm) where you can hear these and many more children's tunes.