

TRY IT! BONUS RESOURCE - The Importance of Stories and Narratives



READ IT

[Why Stories are Important](#) – 2 minutes (BBC Teach)

[Talking to Young Children about COVID-19: Tools and Strategies for Parents and Caregivers](#) – 2 minutes (Early Childhood Connector, May 2020)

These two, brief articles explain the role stories can play in helping young children understand the changes they may be experiencing and feeling due to COVID-19. Young children are very sensitive to what is going on in their environment. Chances are they have heard about COVID-19, and may have questions – along with anxiety – as a result. After reading the articles, take a look at the free stories, song, and puppet show that are told in child-friendly language and illustrations, and in concepts young children can understand!



READ IT TOGETHER!

[Birdie and the Virus](#) story book

[Trinka and Sam Fighting the Big Virus](#) story book (available in multiple languages)

[Something Strange Happened in My City](#) story book (available in multiple languages)



WATCH IT TOGETHER!

[Fidgety Fairytales – Chicken Little puppet show](#)

[Birdie and the Virus](#) animated / narrated story and Birdie and the Virus song

[Trinka and Sam: Fighting the Big Virus](#) narrated story

[Something Strange Happened in My City](#) animated / narrated story