Cut out five monkeys. Put velcro behind the monkeys and velcro on five spaces on the tree. Introduce that these monkeys live IN a tree. Talk about how many monkeys live IN the tree. You may count the monkeys. You may use an alligator puppet or your hand to be the alligator. Say that the alligator
snatches the monkeys OUT of the tree one by one. You may target quantitative concepts such as ALL, SOME, NONE as well. Play the song and pause each time the alligator snatches a monkey OUT of the tree. Talk about how many monkeys are left. Play the song again. Children can take turns being the alligator and snatching a monkey OUT of the tree.

Ask follow up questions during and after the song. Ex: Who’s turn is it to be the alligator?, Where do the monkeys live?, etc.