## **HOW TO DO THIS PROJECT**

- 1. Count the number of letters in the child's name.
- 2. Choose a song sheet with the same number of letters; if there are two songs, pick one.
- 3. Start the CD of songs on the traditional song selected for the child's name.



- 4. Learn to sing the traditional song yourself by listening to it on the CD and singing the words on the left side of the song sheet.
- 5. Sing the traditional song to the child; invite the child to sing along. Give the child a copy of the printable mini book for the traditional song for the child to color and keep. Share the book with the child by talking about the pictures and by reading and singing the words.
- 6. On the right side of the song sheet, write the letters of the child's name in the blank spaces using a capital letter (uppercase) for the first letter only and lowercase letters for the rest of the name.
- 7. Learn to sing the child's name song yourself by starting the CD on the name song, singing the words, and singing the letters for the "hums" sung on the CD.
- 8. Sing the name song several times to the child until it becomes familiar; invite the child to sing along.
- 9. Write the child's name in big print; use a capital letter (uppercase) for the first letter only and lowercase letters for the rest of the name.
- 10. Sing the name song to the child, pointing to each letter as you sing the letter names so the child understands that each printed letter has its own name.
- 11. Guide the child's finger to point to each letter as you sing again slowly.
- 12. Encourage the child to begin writing their name using a capital letter (uppercase) for the first letter only and lowercase letters for the rest of the name.