

# 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