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## **Five Coyotes**

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This is one of my favorite and most popular songs. I use five laminated coyotes. You'll find the pattern on the next page. There is also a pattern for rabbits which many librarians pull out at the end of the song. Kids love to howl and say the word "carnivore" I always start with saying "coyotes are carnivores," and they are off and running! Of course you can sing this any time of year, but it's especially fun in the summer when you're doing camping



songs, and in the fall when you're talking about nocturnal animals.

## Five Coyotes

Five coyotes up on the hill, (Hold up 5 fingers, then raise them high on "hill")

Just a sittin' and a'howlin' at the moon (stretch neck and howl)

One coyote said, "I'm gettin' kinda hungry, I'm off to find some rabbit stew!"

(hide hand behind back, then bringing it back with 4 fingers)

(Repeat with FOUR, THREE, TWO, and ONE)

LAST VERSE:

Then down in the valley five little rabbits

Hop into a hole in the ground

(Hold (Hold up five fingers, then have them dive into hole)

The said, "We hear the coyotes are gettin' kinda' hungry, And we don't plan to be around!"

(wag finger and nod head for "no")

(Spoken) The End!



