

***RHYMES FOR
PRE SCHOOL CHILDREN***



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FOREWORD

Music has a wonderful soothing effect on all people. Music separately or accompanied by physical movements such as clapping and dancing is part of the culture of all nations and people through out the world. India with its variegated culture is full of music and dancing, especially on festive occasions.

Children respond to music enthusiastically and spontaneously without any inhibition. The earliest memory of any man or woman is the song which they have heard from their mothers or in school. Those songs have a large share in making them happy individuals with social habits of love and consideration for others. The nursery rhymes are very important also with regard to the ideas which they convey to young minds, because these thoughts inculcated while young, carry their impression throughout their lives.

The Avinashilingam Home Science College has already published nursery rhymes in Tamil. Now to fulfil the needs of children in the nursery school for songs in English also, this collection is being published. We hope these will be useful for the children and their mothers. We also hope that these rhymes will help in shaping our children to grow into healthy adults with love for their families, neighbours and the country.



(F.S. Avinashilingam)

INTRODUCTION

Music, like literature, is part of our cultural heritage. We want our children to comprehend, learn, appreciate and love music. The finer aspects of music manifest themselves in infancy itself as the mothers sing lullabies to put their children to sleep in a pleasant environment. Music as means of expression is an innate need and desire. The child's world is filled with music which contributes to his overall development according to his individual pattern of growth.

Young children are full of curiosity about the world around them. Every child responds to rhythm and rhyme because they are as natural to him as breathing. Children have eager interest in the essentials of music, interest in the possible sounds to be found in drums and bells, in hollow blocks and doors, in wheels and in their own voices. They are interested in rhythm of their bodies, and in the 'tricks' they can do with them.

Rhymes, action songs, short poems with their variety of subjects/themes are especially suitable for young children in preschools. They can be of great value for enriching language, developing its appreciation and encouraging a sense of humour. They are important aids for clear and confident speech and help a teacher to notice any speech difficulties in children. Some give opportunities of vocal, facial and physical response, and are the beginning of dramatic expression through acting. Another value of a wide selection is that young children learn them particularly quickly and accurately at this age. They delight in saying them and often take them home for family airing. In school, children frequently repeat familiar rhymes to themselves or their companions during play. Rhymes help children to enjoy using words and to try out new sounds. Spontaneous use of it should be an integral part of any preschool programme. During early years, rhythmic experiences bring a sense of relief, security and elevates the mind.

PRAYER SONGS

**Oh! Lord listen to my prayers, Share my joy
Help me to do my might
Bless me to be good to my parents
Teachers and every one.**

**We love our motherland
We serve our motherland
We sacrifice for our motherland
We pray for our motherland**

**Sri Rama, Parabrahma,
Parandhama, Shantha Swaroopa,
Listen to my prayers,
Shower your blessings.**

**Oh! Father of all lives, Sri Ramakrishna
Bless our daily life
May we all be sincere
May we all be affectionate
Bless us to blossom
Like the pure lilies.**

Holy mother you are,
 We are under your feather
 You are kind at heart
 You are the mother of all
 Let us be your children
 And your children alone

I pray Swami Vivekananda
 Who gave all Indians a call,
 Arise, Awake and Stop not
 Till the goal is reached,
 Let us march ahead.....
 And shine like a light.

God watches over us all the day
 At house, at school and at play;
 And when the sun has left the skies
 He watches with a million eyes.

Let me not speak ill of others
 Let me not waste my time
 Let me not forget my beloved
 Let me not injure others
 Let me not hurt animals
 O God! grant me such a wealth.

Krishna, Krishna, Be with me,
 Mischief maker as you are,
 Baby boy I am. play with me,
 I like milk and butter like you,
 Help me to have them daily
 And bless me to grow healthy.

Krishna, Krishna help, help,
 We are your pulp
 The Lord of Dharma,
 The creator of Karma,
 Majestic Shyamala Varna,
 Shower your grace on all of us
 Young and old, rich and poor,
 And make us good.

Radha, Radha how charming you are,
 Lovely virtues you wear
 A good dancer and singer,
 True lover of Lord Krishna
 Let me dance like you,
 Let me dress like you,
 Oh Radha let me also
 Love Krishna like you.

Jesus, tender shepherd, hear me,
Bless thy little lamp tonight,
Through the darkness be thou near me,
Watch my sleep till morning light.
All this day thy hand has led me,
And I thank thee for thy care
Thou has warmed and clothed and fed me
Listen to my evening prayer.

Now, before I run to play,
Let me not forget pray,
To God who kept me through the night,
And woke me with the morning light.
Help me Lord, to love thee more
Than I ever loved before
In my work and in my play
Be thou with me through the day.

God is in the earth,
God is in the water
God is in the air,
God is in the fire.
See God in the Sun,
See God in the flower
See God in the tree,
See God in the man.

FAMILY

Ram and Syam went up the hill
To fetch a pail of water
Ram fell down and broke his crown
And Syam came tumbling after

Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall
Humpty Dumpty had a great fall
All the king's horses and all the king's men
Could not put Humpty Dumpty together again.

Rock a bye baby, on a tree top
When the wind blows the cradle will rock,
When the bough breaks, the cradle will fall,
Down will come baby, cradle and all.

We are little children
We came to sing for you
We are little children
We came to entertain you,
We are little children
We came to sing for you.

Raj Chander's baby had a cold upon his chest
So they rubbed him with camphorated oil
Camphor, camphor, camphora.....ted
So they rubbed him with camphorated oil.

(Repeat leaving chest, then cold, then baby and then
Raj Chander's, but introduce actions instead of words)

God bless our baby, sweet and small
Who kicks and smiles and knows us all
Whose tiny fingers pull my hair
God bless our baby every day.

I have at home
Two different dolls,
Three big balls,
Four teddy bears,
Five golden fishes,
Six chirping chickens,
Seven cozy cots,
Eight old coins,
Nine new pins,
Ten tiny books,
But one baby in a cradle.

FOOD

I like carrots — CARROTS

Mummy likes tomatoes — TOMATOES

Daddy likes greens — GREENS

Baby likes milk — MILK

And we like all fruits — FRUITS.

Hot sponge buns, hot sponge buns

Ten paise fifteen paise

Hot sponge buns!

If your girls don't like them

Give them to your sons,

Ten paise, fifteen paise

Hot sponge buns!

Green leafy vegetables

Red spongy tomatoes

Orange coloured carrots

Yellow sweet mangoes

We eat them with joy and

Grow healthy and wealthy.

Carrots are good for eyes
Good for eyes, good for eyes
Carrots are good for eyes
So we eat them happily
Greens are good for blood
Good for blood, good for blood
Greens are good for blood
So we eat them daily
Tomatoes are good for gums
Good for gums, good for gums
Tomatoes are good for gums
So we eat them happily.
Milk is good for bones
Good for bones, good for bones
Milk is good for bones
So we drink it daily.

ANIMALS

Ding, dong bell, Pussy is in the well,
 Who put her in? Little Raju thin
 Who pulled her out?
 Big Biju Stout.

Higgledy, piggledy my white hen,
 She lays eggs for gentlemen
 Sometimes nine and sometimes ten
 Higgledy piggledy my white hen.

Hickery, dickery dock!
 The mouse ran up the clock;
 The clock struck one,
 The mouse ran down,
 Hickery, dickery dock.

Little fishes in a pond
 Father caught them on a hook
 Mother cooked them in a pan
 Raju ate them like a man,

My gold fish swims
 My dog can run
 My rabbits hop
 And skip for fun
 But Oh! dear me
 You should just see.

Baa, baa black sheep
 Have you any wool?
 Yes sir, yes sir,
 Three bags full,
 One for my Master,
 One for my dame,
 And one for the little boy
 Who lives down the lane

The little hare came hopping by
 The little hare came hopping by
 Running came the deer
 Running came the deer
 The elephant came saluting by
 The mouse hid with fear.

Little Miss Muffet
 Sat on a tuffet
 Eating her curds and whey
 There came a big spider
 And sat down beside her
 And frightened Miss Muffet away.

Bow-wow says the dog,
 Mew, mew says the cat,
 Grunt, grunt goes the hog,
 And squeak does the rat,
 Tu-whu says the owl,
 Caw-caw says the crow,
 Quack, quack, says the duck
 And moo says the cow.

The duck says quack;
 The dove says coo;
 The hen says cluck;
 The cow says moo
 The dog says bow;
 The cat says miaow;
 The monkey says whoop;
 The tiger says whoo-om.

Mary had a little lamb,
 Its fleece was white as snow;
 And everywhere that Mary went
 The lamb was sure to go.
 It followed her to school one day,
 That was against the rule;
 It made the children laugh and play
 To see a lamb at school.

Old mother Hubbard,
 Went to the cupboard,
 To fetch her poor dog a bone;
 But when she got there
 The cupboard was bare
 So the poor little dog had none.

Four little see gulls,
 Sitting in the sun,
 Four little fishes,
 Jumping up for fun
 Four little see gulls,
 Spy for little fish,
 Snip, snap, snip, snap, what a dainty dish;

I had a little pony,
 His name was Dimple Grey,
 I lent him to a Master
 To ride a mile away.
 He whipped him, he lashed him,
 He rode him through the mire,
 I would not lend my pony now,
 For all the Master's hire.

Little boy blue,
 Come blow your horn!
 The sheep is in the meadow,
 The cow in the corn.
 "Where is the boy
 who looks after the sheep?
 "He's under a hay-cock,
 Fast asleep."

Ten little mice sat down to spin,
 Pussy passed by; and just looked in;
 "What are you at, my jolly ten?"
 "We're making coats for gentlemen"
 "Shall I come in and cut your threads?"
 "No, no, Miss Pussy, You'd bite off our heads".

Pussy cat, Pussy cat
Where have you been?
I had been to London to see the Queen
Pussy cat, Pussy cat
What did you do there?
I frightened a little mouse
Under her chair.

I like little pussy
Her coat is so warm
And if I don't hurt her
She'll do me no harm
So I'll not pull her tail
Nor drive her away
But Pussy and I
Very gently will play.

My little dog has a tail that wags
That wags and wags,
And my little dog loves to wear tags.
Loves to wear tags.
And my little dog has a name Shag
Has a name Shag
And my little dog likes to play
My little dog likes to play and run away.

The four and twenty sailors
 Who stood upon the deck
 Wear four and twenty white mice
 With rings about their necks
 The captain was a duck, a duck
 With a jacket on his back
 And when the fairy ship set sail
 The captain, he said "Quack!"

The lion and the unicorn
 Fought for the crown;
 The lion beat the unicorn
 All round the town
 Some gave them white bread,
 And some gave them brown,
 Some gave them plum cake
 And sent them out of town.

A monkey came a screeching
 A screeching, a screeching
 A monkey came a screeching upon a summer's day
 La, la, la, la, la, la,
 A monkey came a screeching upon a summer's day
 A tiger came a growling, a growling
 A tiger came a growling, upon a summer's day
 La, la, la, la, la, la,
 A tiger came a growling, upon a summer's day
 An elephant came a trumpeting, a trumpeting
 An elephant came a trumpeting upon a summer's day
 La, la, la, la, la, la,

The elephant marching one by one Hurah! Hurah!
 The elephant marching one by one Hurah! Hurah!
 The little ones stopped to have some fun,
 And all go marching in.
 The tigers marching two by two, Hurah! Hurah!
 The tigers marching two by two, Hurah! Hurah!
 And little ones have to tie the shoes,
 And all go marching in.
 The monkies marching, three by three Hurah! Hurah!
 The monkies marching, three by three Hurah! Hurah!
 And little ones have to climb a tree
 And all go marching in.
 The foxes marching four by four Hurah! Hurah!
 The foxes marching four by four Hurah! Hurah!
 The little ones stopped to shut the door
 And all go marching in.
 The teddy bears marching five by five Hurah! Hurah!
 The teddy bears marching five by five Hurah! Hurah!
 The little ones stopped to pick the hive
 And all go marching in..... ..



Hey Diddle, diddle,
 The cat and the fiddle
 The cow 'umped over the moon
 The little dog laughed
 To see such fun
 And the dish ran away with the spoon,

I had a cat and the cat pleased me
 I fed my cat by the yonder tree,
 Cat said fiddle I play.

I had a hen and the hen pleased me
 I fed my hen by the yonder tree
 Hen said chimmichung

Cat said fiddle I play.

I had a duck and the duck pleased me
 I fed my duck by the yonder tree
 Duck said quack

Hen said chimmichung

Cat said fiddle I play.

I had a dog and the dog pleased me
 I fed my dog by the yonder tree
 Dog said bow-wow

Duck said quack

Hen said Chimmichung

Cat said fiddle I play

I had a cow and the cow pleased me
 I fed my cow by the yonder tree

Cow said moo

Dog said bow-wow

Duck said quack

Hen said Chimmichung

Cat said fiddle I play.

Lazy sheep, pray tell me why.
In the grassy fields you lie,
Eating grass and daisies white.
From the morning till the night?
Nay, my little Master, nay,
Do not call me so I pray;
Don't you see the wool that grows
On my back to make your clothes!
Cold, and very cold you'd get
If I did not give you it.

BIRDS

Two little dicky birds sat upon a wall
 One was Peter, one was Paul
 Fly away Peter, fly away Paul,
 Come back Peter, come back Paul.

Cuckoobara sits on an old gum tree
 Merry, merry king of the bush is he,
 Laugh Cuckoobara laugh,
 Cuckoobara, gay your life must be

Little parrot, Little parrot,
 On a tree branch,
 How pretty you are
 Breaking the nut into pieces,
 Don't you say, good morning Dear parrot.

An Eensy Weensy spider,
 Climbed a water spout,
 Down came the rain
 And washed the spider out
 Out came the sun
 And dried up all the rain
 So, Eensy Weensy spider
 Climbed the spout again.

North wind doth blow
And we shall have snow
And what will poor Robin do then?
He'll sit in a barn
And keep himself warm,
And hide his head under his wing.

Once I saw a little bird
Hop, hop, hop,
So I cried, "Little bird,
Stop, stop, stop".
I was going to the 'window
To say, "How do you do?"
But he shook his little tail,
And far away he flew.

Over in the meadow
In a hole, in a tree;
Lived a mother blue bird
And her little babies three
"Sing!" said the mother;
"We sing" said the three
So they sang and were glad
In the hole in the tree.

What do little birds say,
 In their nests at peep of day
 Let us fly, say the little birds
 Mother, let us fly away.
 Birds! rest a little longer
 Till the little wings are stronger
 So they rest a little longer,
 Then they fly away.

Two little birds once sat on a stone;
 One flew away, and then there was one
 The other flew after, and then there were none,
 And so the poor stone was left all alone.
 One of the birds then back again flew,
 The other flew after, and then there were two,
 Said one to the other, "How do you do?"
 "Very well, thank you, and how are you?"

Tweedle dum Tweedle dee
 Agreed to have a battle,
 For Tweedle dum said Tweedle dee
 Had spoiled his nice new rattle.
 Just then flew by a monstrous crow
 As big as a tar barrel,
 Which frightened both the heroes
 So they quite forgot their quarrel.

Two little ducks that I once knew
Fat one, skinny one, there were two
But the one little duck with the feather on his back
He ruled the others with his Quack, quack, quack.
Down by the river they would go
Wibble, Bubble, Wibble, Bubble, all in a row
But the one little duck
With the feather on his back
He ruled the others with his Quack, quack, quack.



Five little ducks went out to play
Over the hills far away
Mother duck said, quack, quack, quack
And only four little ducks came back
Four little ducks went out to play
Over the hills far away
Mother duck said, quack, quack, quack
And only three little ducks came back
Three little ducks went out to play
Over the hills far away
Mother duck said, quack, quack, quack
And only two little ducks came back.
Two little ducks went out to play
Over the hills far away
Mother duck said, quack, quack, quack
And only one little duck came back.

Five little chickedies standing in a row,
 One flew away and then there were four,
 Chickedy, Chickedy, happy and gay,
 Chickedy, Chickedy, fly away.
 Four little chickedies sitting on a tree,
 One flew away and then there were three,
 Chickedy, Chickedy, happy and gay,
 Chickedy, Chickedy, fly away.
 Three little Chickedy looking at you,
 One flew away and then there were two,
 Chickedy, Chickedy, happy and gay,
 Chickedy, Chickedy fly away.
 Two little Chickedies sitting in a corner
 One flew away, and then there was one,
 Chickedy, Chickedy, happy and gay!
 Chickedy, Chickedy, fly away.

The owl and the pussy cat went to sea
 In a beautiful pea-green boat;
 They took some honey, and plenty of money
 Wrapped up in a five fold sheet
 The owl looked up to the stars above
 And sang to a small guitar
 "O lovely pussy. O pussy, my love
 What a beautiful pussy you are
 You are, you are,
 What a beautiful pussy you are.

TRANSPORT

Drive drive, drive your car
 Gently down the road,
 Merrily merrily, merrily, merrily.
 Drive it down the road
 (Repeat with other vehicles)

Dip, dip, dip, My blue ship.
 Sailing in the water
 Like a cup and saucer,
 Dip, dip, dip

He will build a plane and a soar
 Over wood, land, sea and shore,
 Over wood, land, sea and shore,
 And fly back to Mum once more.

Hear the bell ringing
 Stop! what is that?
 Make the way for fire engine
 She goes fast
 The colour is red
 A tank with water
 A rope, a tube and a big ladder
 An axe and a hook and a knife are ready
 To put off the fire, to put off the fire.

I saw three ships come sailing by,
Sailing by, sailing by,
I saw three ships come sailing by,
On New Year's Day in the morning
And what do you think was in them?
The first one had greeting cards
The second one had chocolate cakes
The third one had lot of fruits.

I'd like to go on a fishing boat,
fishing boat, fishing boat
In the deep blue sea
I'd take a look and cast a hook
And fish up what's afloat.

Piggy on the railway picking up stones
There came an engine driver
And broke piggy's bones
'Ah!, said the piggy, "this is not fair".
'Ah! said the engine driver "I am Sorry Sir"



FLOWERS

Ring - a - ring - a - roses.

Pocket full of roses,

Husha, Pusha, all fell down.

Mary, Mary, quite contrary,

How does our garden grow?

with silver bells and cockle shells,

And pretty maids all in a row.

Our little garden

With full of scented flowers

The little rose in the corner

Soft and red in colour

Sweet little Ram

Plucks with charm.

HYGIENE

This is the way I roll my mat,
 This is the way I roll my mat
 Early in the morning

(Repeat with)

I clean my teeth,
 I wash my face
 I comb my hair,
 I eat my food,
 I take my bag,
 I go to school.

Brush, brush, brush your teeth
 Brush it every day
 Daddy, mummy, brother, sister
 Brush it every day
 Wash, wash, wash your face
 Wash it every day
 Daddy, mummy, brother, sister
 wash it every day
 Drink, drink, drink the milk
 Drink, it every day,
 Daddy, Mummy, brother, sister,
 Drink it every day.

FESTIVAL

Jingle bells, Jingle bells, Jingle all the way
 Santa claus will come along
 Riding on his sleigh.

Smiling girls, rosy boys
 Come and buy my little toys
 Monkeys made of ginger bread
 Sugar horses painted red
 Smiling girls, rosy boys

The houses are clean and neat
 Thank God for his bright sun
 Thank the cows for their milk
 Thank the farmer for his labour
 Thank the soil for its sugar cane
 Thank everyone for their help
 Wish everyone Happy Pongal

COLOURS

I like red, RED — Red
 Daddy likes blue, BLUE—blue
 Mummy likes, green GREEN—green
 Baby likes yellow, An YELLOW—yellow
 And you like white, WHITE—White

Blue and white, buckle my shoe tight
 Green and white, fly your kite
 Red and White, ready to fight
 Yellow and White, you are a leading light
 Rose and 'White, Nehru' might
 White and White, he is ever bright.

Green and Yellow shirts
 Black shiny shoes
 White Bright socks
 Red pretty bag
 Orange plastic box
 Blue printed ribbon
 Are my favourite things
 I love these days

READINESS AND OTHER ACTION SONGS

Let us all clap our hands

La, la, la, la, la

Let us all stamp our feet

La, la, la, la, la

Let us all nod our heads

La, la, la, la, la

Let us all touch our toes

La, la, la, la, la

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Where is thumbking?

Here I am

How are you today sir?

Very well and thank you. Run away

(Repeat with)

Where is points man?

Where is tall man?

Where is ring man?

Where is little man?

Where is family?

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Come to play under the tree
 Come, come, come
 Bring your friends with you there
 Come, come, come
 The birds are singing on the tree
 Hear, hear, hear
 The fruits are falling from the tree
 Take, take, take.

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Monday's child is fair of face
 Tuesday's child is full of grace,
 Wednesday's child is full of woe,
 Thursday's child has far to go.
 Friday's child is loving and giving,
 Saturday's child works hard for a living
 Sunday's child is good and gay.

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One, two, buckle my shoe,
 Three, four, shut the door;
 Five, six, pick up sticks,
 Seven, eight, lay them straight;
 Nine, ten, a good, fat hen
 Eleven, twelve, dig and delve.

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One, two, three, four, five
 Once I caught a fish alive,
 Six, seven, eight, nine, ten
 Then I let it go again
 Why did you let it go?
 Because it bit my finger so
 Which finger did it bite?
 This little finger on the right.



One little, two little, three little Indians,
 Four little, five little, six little Indians,
 Seven little, eight little, nine little Indians,
 Ten little Indian boys.
 Ten little, nine little, eight little Indians,
 Seven little, six little, five little Indians,
 Four little, three little, two little Indians,
 One little Indian boy.



Roll, roll, roll your hands as slowly as you can
 Roll, roll, roll your hands as fast as you can
 Shake, shake, shake your hands as slowly as you can
 Shake, shake, shake your hands as fast as you can
 Clap, clap, clap your hands as slowly as you can
 Clap, clap, clap your hands as fast as you can.

London Bridge is falling down, falling down falling down
 London Bridge is falling down, my fair lady
 Build it up with iron bars, iron bars, iron bars
 Build it up with iron bars, my fair lady
 Iron bars will rust away, rust away, rust away
 Iron bars will rust away, my fair lady

My hands upon my head I place
 Upon my shoulders, on my face,
 At my waist and my side
 And then behind me they will hide.
 Then I raise them way up high
 And let my fingers swiftly fly
 Then clap one, two, three
 And see how quiet they can be.

Here's a ball for baby
 Big and soft and round
 Here's baby's hammer
 Oh, how he can pound!
 Here is baby's music
 Clapping, clapping so
 Here are baby's soldiers
 Standing in a row
 Here is baby's trumpet
 Toot, toot, toot-too too!
 Here is the way that baby
 Plays at peck - a - boo
 Here is a big umbrella
 To keep the baby dry
 Here is baby's cradle
 Rock - a baby-bye.

If you are happy and you know it,
Clap your hands

If you are happy and you know it,
And you really want to show it

If you are happy and you know it
Clap your hands.

(Repeat with :

Stamp your feet,

Slap your thighs,

Shout shabash.)

If you are happy and you know it.

Do all four (Clap your hands, stamp your feet, slap
your thighs, shout shabash)

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When there is any trouble just do Smile

When there is any trouble

It will vanish like a bubble

If you only take the trouble just to Smile

When there is any trouble just do laugh

When here is any trouble

It will vanish like a bubble

If you only take the trouble just to laugh

When there is any trouble just do ha-ha-ha

When there is any trouble,

It will vanish like a bubble,

If you only take the trouble just to ha-ha-ha.

Put your bigman out, up in the air
 Put your bigman out, now downward points
 Lala, lala, lala, lala, la, la, la, la.
 Put your points man out, up in the air
 Put your points man out, now downward points
 Lala, lala, lala, lala, la, la, la, la.
 Put your tall man out, up in the air
 Put your tall man out, now downward points
 Lala, lala, lala, lala, la, la, la, la.
 Put your ringman out, up in the air
 Put your ringman out, now downward points
 Lala, lala, lala, lala, la, la, la, la.
 Put your little man out, up in the air
 Put your little man out, now downward points
 Lala, lala, lala, lala, la, la, la, la.

One and two I love you true
 Two and three I let you free
 Four and five I gave you bun
 Six and seven go to play
 Eight and nine your frock is fine
 Ten and eleven bring me a pen
 Twelve and thirteen shoot with a gun
 Fourteen and fifteen be a queen
 Sixteen and seventeen you look clean
 Eighteen and nineteen be a big man
 Nineteen and twenty empty your pocket...

I am the greatest musician.

What will you play?

Violin Sir,

Let us hear you play the Vio, vio violin,

I am the greatest musician.

What will you play?

Mandoline Sir,

Let us hear you play the Mando, mando, mandoline,

I am the greatest musician,

What will you play?

Harmonium Sir,

'Let us hear you play the harmo, harmo, harmonium

I am the greatest musician.

What will you play

Drum Sir,

Let us hear you play the Bamba, bamba bamba drum

We are the greatest musicians,

What will you play?

Archestra Sir,

Let us hear you play the

Vio, vio, violin,

Mando, mando, mandoline,

Harmo, harmo, harmonium,

Bamba, bamba, bamba, drum.

I put my right hand in
I put my right hand out
I give my right hand shake, shake, shake
I turn myself around.
I put my left hand in
I put my left hand out
I give my left hand shake, shake, shake,
I turn myself around.
I put my both hands in
I put my both hands out
I give my both hands shake, shake, shake
I turn myself around.
I put my right leg in
I put my right leg out
I give my right leg shake, shake shake
I turn myself around.
I put my left leg in
I put my left leg out
I give my left leg shake, shake, shake
I turn myself around.
I put my both legs in
I put my both legs out
I give my both legs shake, shake, shake
I turn myself around.

Right hand round the diddle
 Will you dance with me
 lala lala lala lala lala
 Left hand round the diddle
 Will you dance with me
 lala lala lala lala lala
 Right leg round the diddle
 Will you dance with me
 lala, lala, lala, lala, lala,
 Left leg round the diddle
 Will you dance with me
 lala, lala, lala, lala, lala,

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Put Your right hand in
 Put your right hand out
 Put your right hand in
 Shake it all about
 Do the bogi bogi bogi
 and turn your self around
 that is what its all about
 (Repeat with)
 left hand,
 right leg,
 left leg,
 both legs,
 right hip,
 left hip,
 both hips
 wholeself

This old man he played one
 He played nick nack on my thumb,
 With a Nick nack paddy wack give the dog a bone
 This old man came rolling home
 This old man he played two
 He played nick nack on my shoe
 With a Nick nack paddy wack give the dog a bone
 This old man came rolling home
 This old man he played three,
 He played nick nack on my knee,
 With a Nick nack paddy wack give the dog a bone
 This oldman came rolling home
 This old man he played four,
 He played nick nack on my door,
 With a Nick nack paddy wack give the dog a bone
 This old man came rolling home
 This old man he played Five
 He played nick nack on my Live
 With a Nick nack paddy wack give the dog a bone
 This old man came rolling home
 This old man he played Six
 He played nick nack on my sticks
 With a Nick nack paddy wack give the dog a bone,
 This old man came rolling home
 This old man he played Seven
 He played nick nack on my heaven

With a Nick nack paddy wack give the dog a bone
This old man came rolling home,
This old man he played eight
He played nick nack on my gate
With a Nick nack paddy wack give the dog a bone
This old man came rolling home
This old man he played nine,
He played nick nack on my spine,
With a nick nack paddy wack give the dog a bone
This old man came rolling home,
This old man he played ten
He played nick nack on my hen
With a Nick nack paddy wack give the dog a bone
This old man came rolling home.
