

Music and Movement Activities for School Age Children

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"If you can walk you can dance

If you can talk you can sing."

For All Ages

Funga Alafia

Funga alafia, ashay, ashay

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Bananas

All the people love bananas

All the people love bananas

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In Canada they love them, bananas

In Haiti they love them, bananas

In Spain they love them, bananas

In Egypt they love them, bananas

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Birthday Cake

Clap your hands together

Give yourself a shake

Make a happy circle

Now we'll cut the cake.

A Rhyme

Up like a rocket

Down like the rain

Back and forth like a choo choo train.

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Who has the penny?

Who has the penny?

(I have the penny.)

Who has the key?

(I have the key.)

Who has the thimble?

(I have the thimble.)

Please let us see.

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Frere Jacques

Frere Jacques, Frere Jacques

Dormez-vous? Dormez-vous?

Sonnez les matines, sonnez les matines

Din dan don, din dan don.

Grade One

Built My Lady

Built my lady a fine brick house

Built it in the garden

I put her in but she came out

So fare thee well my darling

Bow Wow Wow

Bow wow wow

Whose dog art thou?

Little Tommy Tucker's dog

Bow wow wow.

Walk/Run/Gallop

Grade Two

Miss Miss

Miss Miss

Little miss miss

When she misses

She goes like this:

Beat versus rhythm

Button You May Wander

Button you may wander, wander, wander

Button you may wander, everywhere

Bright eyes will find you

Sharp eyes will find you

Button you may wander, everywhere.

Grade Three

Cobbler Cobbler

I will pass this shoe from me to you and you
You pass the shoe and do just as I do

Button You Must Wander

Button you must wander, wander, wander
Button you must wander everywhere
Bright eyes will find you
Sharp eyes will find you
Button you must wander everywhere.

Pass the Tennis Ball; Pass the Clap

Grade Four

John Kanaka!

I heard, I heard the old man say
(pass right shoulders)
John Kanakanaka, too la ay
(stamp, play rhythm on knees, clap own
hands twice, partner's hands once)
Today, today is a holiday
(pass right shoulders)
John Kanakanaka, too la ay
(stamp, play rhythm on knees, clap own
hands twice, partner's hands once)
Too la ay, too la ay
(wave as outside circle moves left to new
partner)
John Kanakanaka, too la ay
(stamp, play rhythm on knees, clap own
hands twice, partner's hands once)

Game of Sevens

Pass the Beat

Grade Five

That's the way

That's the way
Uh huh uh huh
I like it
Uh huh uh huh
That's the way
Uh huh uh huh
I like it

Uh huh uh huh

My name

Uh huh uh huh

is Susan

Uh huh uh huh

My name

Uh huh uh huh

Is Jordan

Uh huh uh huh

Rainstorm

Grade Six

Fudge

Lummi sticks

To make: use four full sheets of newsprint

Fold in half, in half again.

Make small fold, another small fold.

Roll tightly.

Cover in coloured paper and clear tape.

Or duct tape.

In partners

Toe kay ah ma

Toe kay ah ma

All day long I'm going to sing my little song

Toe kay ah ma

Toe kay ah ma

Toe kay ah ma I love you.

Canons:

Row row row your boat

Gently down the stream

Merrily merrily merrily merrily

Life is but a dream.

Oh how lovely is the evening, is the evening

When the bells are sweetly ringing, sweetly

ringing

Ding, dong, ding dong

Heigh ho
Nobody home
No meat no drink no money have I none
But will I be very very happy
Heigh ho
Anybody home...