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Songbook for Cats

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Introduction

A songbook for cats isn't really that unusual an idea, cats have better hearing than us humans and can hear more high pitched sounds. Singing to a cat can be fun, if you've ever watched the Big Bang theory you remember Sheldon's lullaby Soft kitty. So I took a few traditional songs and made them more cat friendly.. Even if you do think your cats very musical I hope they'll enjoy the songs here.

Special thanks to Nadja Voss for providing her wonderful illustrations the book wouldn't be the same without them.

If you're happy and you know it

If you're happy and you know it blink at me.

If you're happy and you know it blink at me.

If you're happy and you know it and you really want to show it, If you're happy
and you know it blink at me.

If you're happy and you know it wag your tail.

If you're happy and you know it wag your tail.

If you're happy and you know it and you really want to show it, If you're happy
and you know it wag your tail.

If you're happy and you know it make a pur!"

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If you're happy and you know it and you really want to show it,

If you're happy and you know it make a pur!"

If you're happy and you know it do all three.

If you're happy and you know it do all three.

If you're happy and you know it and you really want to show it, If you're happy
and you know it do all three!





Heads, whiskers, knees and paws,

Head, tail, knees and paws,

Knees and paws

Head, tail, knees and paws

Knees and paws.

And eyes and ears and whiskers and nose

Head, tail, knees and toes, knees and toes

(Repeat, getting faster each time)



Three little kittens,

They lost their mittens,
And they began to cry,
Oh, mother dear,
We sadly fear
Our mittens we have lost.

What! Lost your mittens, You naughty kittens!
Then you shall have no pie.
Mee-ow, mee-ow, mee-ow. No, you shall have no pie.

The three little kittens

They found their mittens,
And they began to cry,
Oh, mother dear,
See here, see here,
Our mittens we have found.

What! Found your mittens, You silly kittens!
Then you shall have some pie.
Purr-r, purr-r, purr-r, Oh, let us have some pie.

The three little kittens,
Put on their mittens,
And soon ate up the pie;
Oh, mother dear,
We greatly fear
Our mittens we have soiled.

What! Soiled your mittens, You
naughty kittens!
Then they began to sigh,



Mee-ow, mee-ow, mee-ow. Then
they began to sigh. The three
little kittens,
They washed their mittens,
And hung them out to dry;
Oh mother dear,
Look here, look here,
Our mittens we have washed.

What! Washed your mittens, You're
good little kittens.
But I smell a rat close by!
Hush! Hush! Hush!
I smell a rat close by.



Thumbelina,

Thumbelina, Thumbelina, tiny little thing
Thumbelina dance, Thumbelina sing,
Thumbelina, what's the difference if you're very small? When your heart
is full of love, you're nine feet tall!

So you're no bigger than my thumb, than my arm, than my arm; Sweet Thumbelina
don't be glum.

Now, now, now, ah, ah, ah, come, come, come!

Thumbelina, Thumbelina, tiny little thing

Thumbelina dance, Thumbelina sing,

Thumbelina, what's the difference if you're very small? When your heart
is full of love, you're nine feet tall!

So you're no bigger than my toe, than my arm, than my arm,

Sweet Thumbelina keep that glow;

And you'll grow, and you'll grow, and you'll grow.

Thumbelina, Thumbelina, tiny little thing

Thumbelina dance, Thumbelina sing,

Thumbelina, what's the difference if you're very small?

When your heart is full of love, you're nine feet tall!



Hickory, dickory, dock!

Hickory, dickory, dock!

The mouse ran up the clock;

The clock struck one,

The mouse ran down, Hickory,

dickory, dock!



You are my Sunshine.

You Are My Sunshine My only sunshine.

You make me happy When skies are grey.
You'll never know, dear, How much I love you.
Please don't take my sunshine away

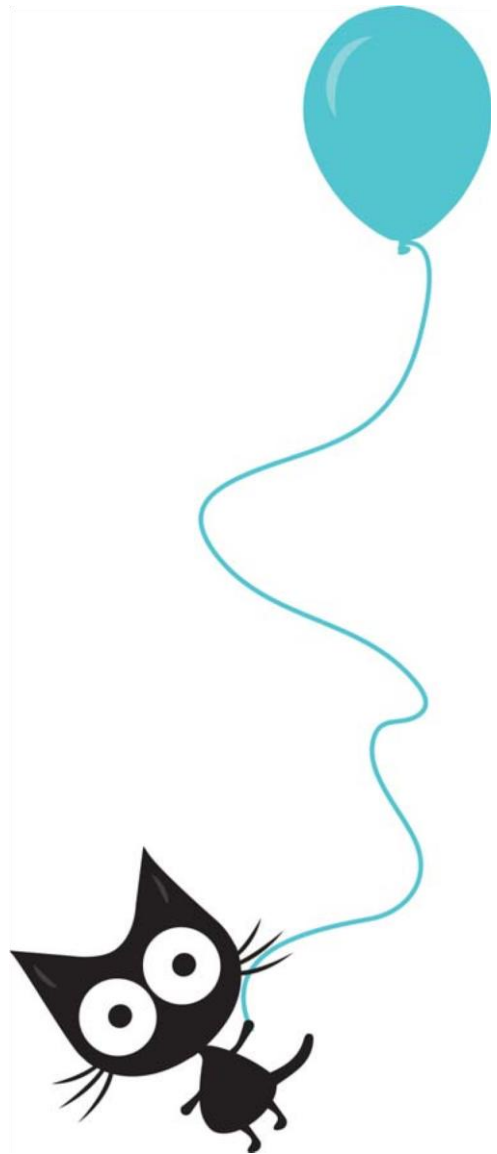
The other nite, dear,
As I lay sleeping
I dreamed I held you in my arms.
When I awoke, dear,
I was mistaken
And I hung my head and cried.

You are my sunshine, My only sunshine.
You make me happy When skies are grey.
You'll never know, dear, How much I love you.
Please don't take my sunshine away.

I'll always love you
And make you happy
If you will only say the same
But if you leave me
To love another
You'll regret it all some day;

You are my sunshine, My
only sunshine.
You make me happy When
skies are grey. You'll never
know, dear, How much I love
you.
Please don't take my sunshine away.

You told me once, dear
You really loved me
And no one else could come between
But now you've left me



And love another

You have shattered all my dreams;

You are my sunshine, My only sunshine.

You make me happy When skies are grey.

You'll never know, dear, How much I love you.

Please don't take my sunshine away.

You are my sunshine, My only sunshine.

You make me happy When

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know, dear, How much I love

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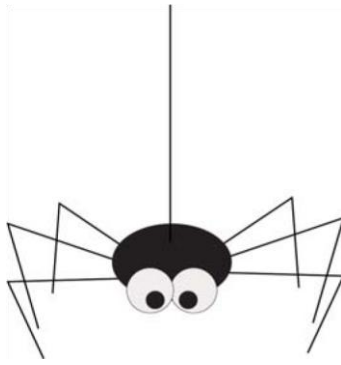
Please don't take my sunshine away.

Humpty dumpy

Humpty dumpy sat on a wall

Humpty dumpy had a great fall

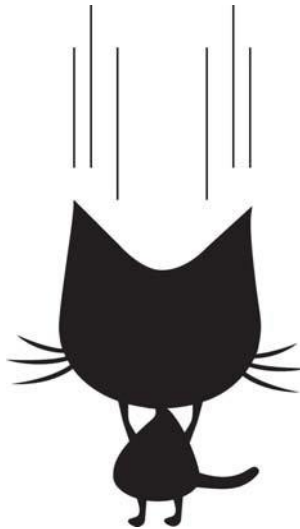
All the King's horses



And all the King's men
Couldn't put Humpty together again

The itsy bitsy spider

The itsy bitsy spider
Crawled up the water spout
Down came the rain
And washed the spider out
Out came the sun
And dried up all the rain
And the itsy bitsy spider
Crawled up the spout again,



Three Little Fishies

Down in a meadow
In an little bitty pool

Swam three little fishies
And a mommy fishie too
Swim said the momma fishie,
Swim if you can
So they swam and they
swam All over the dam



Boop Boop diddum daddum waddum choo
Boop Boop diddum daddum waddum choo
Boop Boop diddum daddum waddum choo
And they swam and they swam All over
the dam.

Stop cried the mommy fish
Or you will get lost
But the three little fishies
Didn't wanna be bossed
The three little fishies
Went off on a spree
And they swam and they swam Right out to
the sea

Boop Boop diddum daddum waddum choo
Boop Boop diddum daddum waddum choo
Boop Boop diddum daddum waddum choo
And they swam and they swam
Right out to the sea

Wee squealed the fishies
We're havin some fun
We'll swim in the sea
Till the day is done
They swam and they swam and it was a lark When all of a sudden
They saw shark

Boop Boop diddum daddum waddum choo
Boop Boop diddum daddum waddum choo

Boop Boop diddum daddum waddum choo
Till all of a sudden They saw
a shark

Help cried the fishies
Oh look at the whales
And quick as they could
They turned on their tails
And back to the little bitty pool they swam
And they swam and they swam
Back over the dam

Boop Boop diddum daddum waddum choo
Boop Boop diddum daddum waddum choo
Boop Boop diddum daddum waddum choo
And they swam and they swam
Back over the dam



Twinkle, twinkle, little star,

Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
How I wonder what you are.
Up above the world so high,
Like a diamond in the sky.
Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
How I wonder what you are!

When the blazing sun is gone,
When he nothing shines upon,
Then you show your little light,
Twinkle, twinkle, all the night.
Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
How I wonder what you are!

Then the traveler in the dark
Thanks you for your tiny spark;
He could not see which way to go,
If you did not twinkle so.
Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
How I wonder what you are!



The wheels on the bus go round and round

The wheels on the bus go round and round Round
and round, round and round The wheels on the bus
go round and round All through the town.

(Roll hands over each other)

The wipers on the bus go "Swish, swish, swish,
Swish, swish, swish, swish, swish, swish" The wipers
on the bus go "Swish, swish, swish" All through the
town.

(Put arms together in front of you and 'swish' like windshield wipers)

The door on the bus goes open and shut Open and
shut, open and shut

The door on the bus goes open and shut All through the town.

(Cover eyes with hands on 'shut' and uncover them on 'open')

The horn on the bus goes "Beep, beep, beep

Beep, beep, beep, beep, beep, beep"

The horn on the bus goes "Beep, beep, beep" All through the town.

(Pretend to honk horn)

The gas on the bus goes "Glunk, glunk, glunk

Glunk, glunk, glunk, glunk, glunk, glunk"

The gas on the bus goes "Glunk, glunk, glunk" All
through the town.

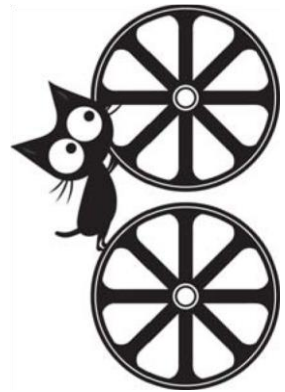
(Pretend to fill tank using pointer finger as gas nozzle)

The money on the bus goes "Clink, clink, clink,

Clink, clink, clink, clink, clink, clink"

The money on the bus goes "Clink, clink, clink" All
through the town.

(Pretend to put money in cash box on bus)



The baby on the bus says, "Wah, wah, wah! Wah, wah,
wah, wah, wah, wah!"

The baby on the bus says, "Wah, wah, wah!" All
through the town.

(Fisted hands in front of eyes and rub them like baby crying)

The people on the bus say, "Shh, shh, shh,
Shh, shh, shh, shh, shh, shh"

The people on the bus say, "Shh, shh, shh" All
through the town.

(Put pointer finger to mouth to 'shhh')

The mommy on the bus says, "I love you,
I love you, I love you"

The daddy on the bus says, "I love you, too" All
through the town.

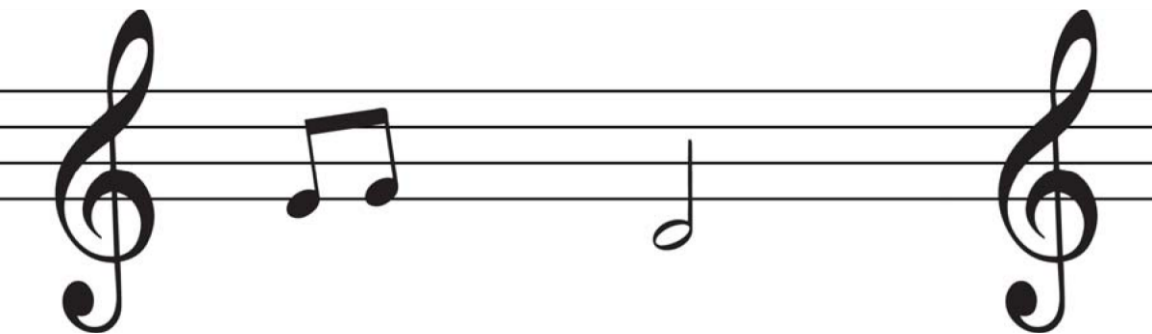
(Point to self on 'I', right hand over heart on 'love', and point to
another on 'you')



Swing low, sweet chariot

Swing low, sweet chariot

Coming for to carry me home Swing low,
sweet chariot



Coming for to carry me home

I looked over Jordan

And what did I see,

Coming for to carry me home

A band of angels

Coming after me

Coming for to carry me home

Swing low, sweet chariot

Coming for to carry me home Swing low,
sweet chariot

Coming for to carry me home

If you get there

Before I do

Coming for to carry me home

Tell all my friends

I'm coming too

Coming for to carry me home

Swing low, sweet chariot

Coming for to carry me home

Swing low, sweet chariot

Coming for to carry me home

Sometimes I'm up

And sometimes I'm down

Coming for to carry me home

But still my soul

Feels heavenly bound
Coming for to carry me home

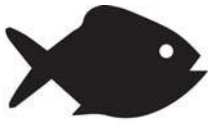
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Coming for to carry me home Swing low,
sweet chariot
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sweet chariot
Coming for to carry me home



Row, row, row your boat

Row, row, row your boat Gently
down the stream. Merrily, merrily,
merrily, merrily, Life is but a dream.



Mary had a little kitten,

Mary had a little kitten,
Little kitty, little kitty,
Mary had a little kitty,
Its coat was white as snow

And everywhere that Mary went,
Mary went, Mary went,
Everywhere that Mary went
The cat was sure to go

It followed her to school one day School one day, school one day
It followed her to school one day Which was against the rules.



It made the children laugh and play,
Laugh and play, laugh and play,
It made the children laugh and play
To see a kitty at school

And so the teacher turned it out, Turned it out,
turned it out,
And so the teacher turned it out, But still it
lingered near

And waited patiently about,
Patiently about, patiently about,
And waited patiently about
Till Mary did appear

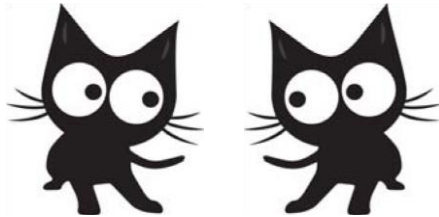
“Why does the kitty love Mary so?” Love Mary
so? Love Mary so?
“Why does the kitty love Mary so?”
The eager children cry

“Why, Mary loves the kitty, you know.”

Loves the kitty, you know, loves the kitty, you know

“Why, Mary loves the kitty, you know.”

The teacher did reply

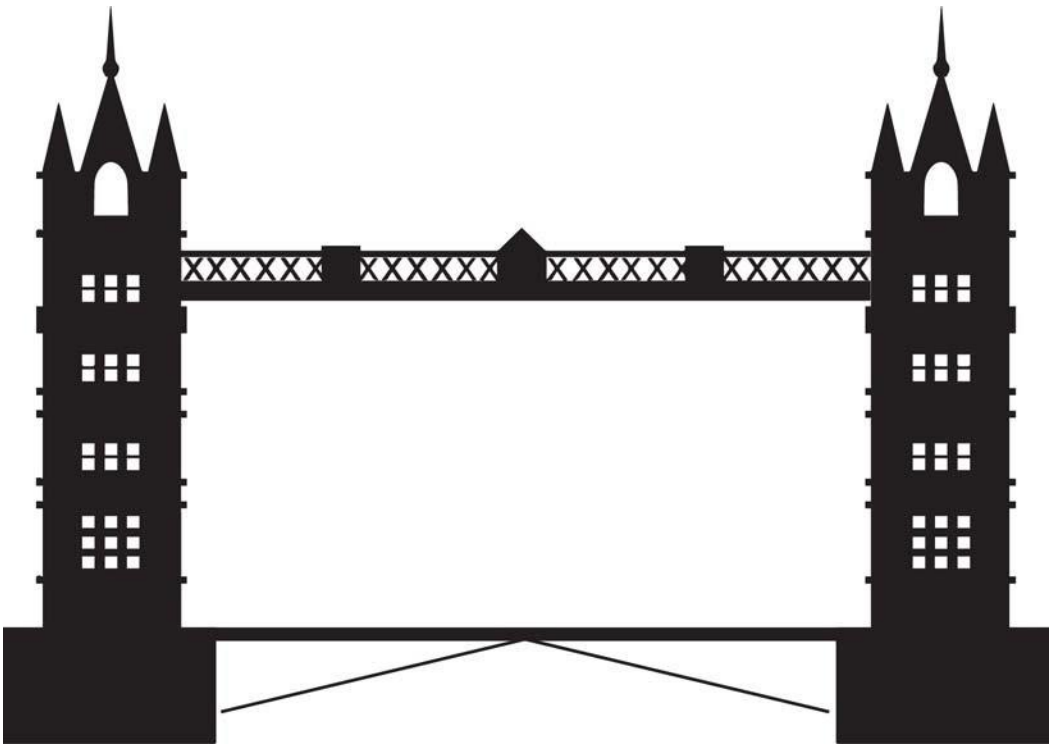


London Bridge is falling down,

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 bend and break, Bend and
break, bend and break. Iron bars will
bend and break, My fair lady!



Build it up with needles and pins, Needles
and pins, needles and pins. Build it up
with needles and pins, My fair lady!

Pins and needles rust and bend, Rust and
bend, rust and bend. Pins and needles
rust and bend, My fair lady!

Build it up with penny loaves, Penny
loaves, penny loaves. Build it up
with penny loaves, My fair lady!

Penny loaves will tumble down, Tumble down,
tumble down. Penny loaves will tumble down,
My fair lady!

Build it up with silver and gold, Silver and
gold, silver and gold. Build it up with silver
and gold, My fair lady!



Gold and silver I've not got, I've
not got, I've not got. Gold and
silver I've not got, My fair lady!

Here's a prisoner I have got, I
have got, I have got. Here's a
prisoner I have got, My fair lady!

What's the prisoner done to you, Done to you, done to you? What's the
prisoner done to you, My fair lady!

Stole my watch and broke my chain, Broke
my chain, broke my chain. Stole my watch
and broke my chain, My fair lady!

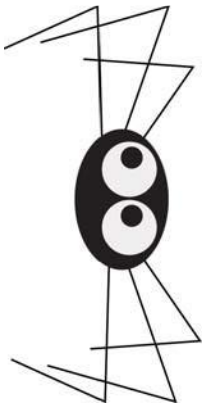
What'll you take to set him free, Set him
free, set him free? What'll you take to
set him free, My fair lady!

One hundred pounds will set him free, Set
him free, set him free. One hundred pounds
will set him free, My fair lady!

One hundred pounds we have not got, Have
not got, have not got. One hundred pounds
we have not got, My fair lady!

Then off to prison he must go, He must go, he must go. Then
off to prison he must go, My fair lady!





The eensy weensy spider

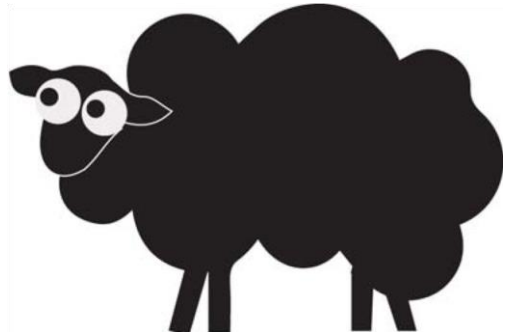
The eensy weensy spider
Crawled up the water spout
(‘Climb’ up arm)
Down came the rain
(Wiggle fingers down from head to waist)
And washed the spider out
(Throw arms to sides)
Out came the sun and dried up all the rain
(Raise hands above head, make circle for sun) And the
eensy weensy spider Crawled up the spout again.
(‘Climb’ up arm again)

Baa, baa, black sheep,

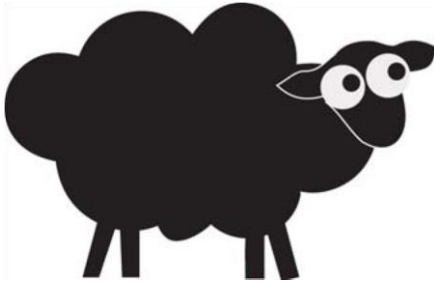
Baa, baa, black sheep, Have you any wool?
Yes sir, yes sir, Three bags full.

One for the master,
One for the dame, And one for the little boy
Who lives down the lane.

Baa, baa, black sheep, Have
you any wool?
Yes sir, yes sir,



Three bags full.



The Hokey-Pokey,

You put your right paw in,
You put your right paw out;
You put your right paw in, And you
shake it all about.

You do the Hokey-Pokey, And you
turn yourself around. That's what
it's all about!

You put your left paw in,
You put your left paw out;
You put your left paw in, And you
shake it all about.
You do the Hokey-Pokey, And you turn yourself around.
That's what it's all about!

You put your right paw in,
You put your right paw out;
You put your right paw in, And you
shake it all about.
You do the Hokey-Pokey, And you
turn yourself around. That's what
it's all about!



You put your left paw in,

You put your left paw out;
You put your left paw in,
And you shake it all about.
You do the Hokey-Pokey,
And you turn yourself around. That's what
it's all about!

You put your right side in,
You put your right side out;
You put your right side in, And you
shake it all about.
You do the Hokey-Pokey,
And you turn yourself around. That's what it's all about!

You put your left side in,
You put your left side out;
You put your left side in, And you shake it all about.
You do the Hokey-Pokey,
And you turn yourself around. That's what it's all about!

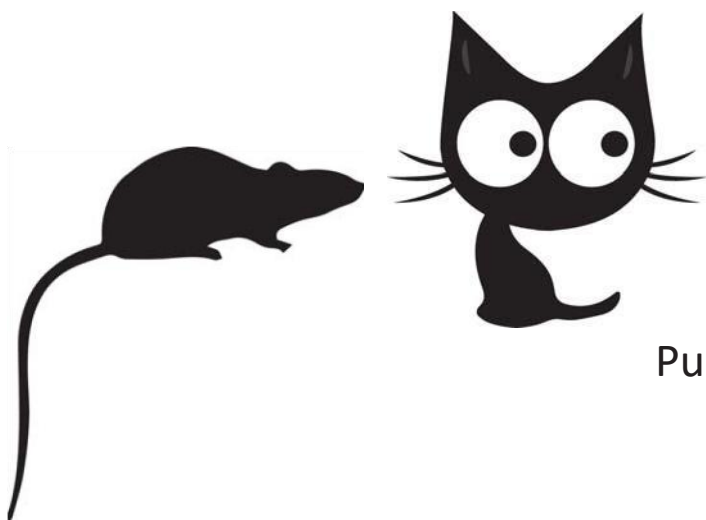
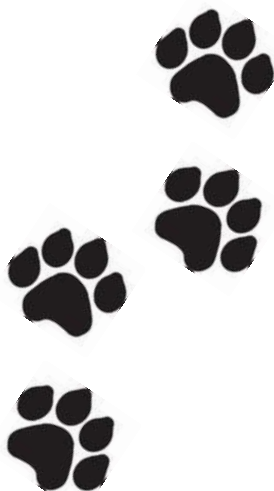
You put your nose in,
You put your nose out;
You put your nose in, And you shake it all about.
You do the Hokey-Pokey,
And you turn yourself around. That's what it's all about!

You put your tail in,
You put your tail out;
You put your tail in, And you shake it all about.
You do the Hokey-Pokey,
And you turn yourself around.
That's what it's all about!
You put your head in,
You put your head out;
You put your head in, And you
shake it all about.
You do the Hokey-Pokey,



And you turn yourself around. That's
what it's all about!

You put your whole self in,
You put your whole self out;
You put your whole self in, And you
shake it all about.
You do the Hokey-Pokey,
And you turn yourself around.
That's what it's all about.



Pussycat, pussycat,

Pussycat, pussycat, Where
have you been?
I've been to London To
visit the Queen.

Pussycat, pussycat, What did
you there? I frightened a little
mouse Under her chair.

Old MacDonald,

Old MacDonald had a farm, Ee i ee i
oh!

And on his farm he had some chicks, Ee i ee i oh!

With a cluck-cluck here, And a cluck-
cluck there

Here a cluck, there a cluck,

Everywhere a cluck-cluck Old

MacDonald had a farm

Ee i ee i oh!



Old MacDonald had a farm, Ee i ee i oh!

And on his farm he had some cows, Ee i ee i oh!

With a moo-moo here, And a moo-moo there

Here a moo, there a moo,

Everywhere a moo-moo Old MacDonald had a farm, Ee i ee
i oh!



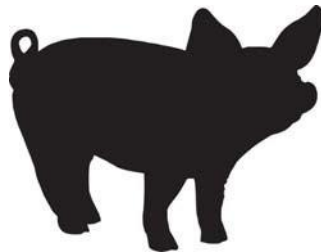
Old MacDonald had a farm, Ee i ee i
oh!

And on his farm he had some pigs, Ee i ee i oh!

With an oink-oink here, And an oink-oink there

Here an oink, there an oink,

Everywhere an oink-oink Old MacDonald had a farm
Ee i ee i oh!



Lobby Loo,

Here we go looby loo

Here we go looby light

Here we go looby loo

All on a Saturday night



You put your right hand in
You take your right hand out
You give your hand a shake, shake, shake
And turn yourself about

Here we go looby loo
Here we go looby light
Here we go looby loo
All on a Saturday night

You put your left foot in
You take your left foot out
You give your foot a shake, shake, shake
And turn yourself about

Here we go looby loo
Here we go looby light



Here we go looby loo
All on a Saturday night

You put your right hip in
You take your right hip out
You give your right hip a shake, shake, shake
And turn yourself about

Here we go looby loo

Here we go looby light
Here we go looby loo
All on a Saturday night

You put your whole self in
You take your whole self out
You give yourself a shake, shake, shake
And turn yourself about



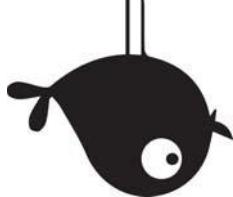
He's got the whole world,

He's got the whole world in His hands,
He's got the whole world in His hands,
He's got the whole world in His hands, He's got
the whole world in His hands.

He's got my brothers and my sisters in His hands,
He's got my brothers and my sisters in His hands,
He's got my brothers and my sisters in His hands, He's got the
whole world in His hands.

He's got the sun and the rain in His hands,
He's got the moon and the stars in His hands, He's got the
wind and the clouds in His hands, He's got the whole world
in His hands.

He's got the rivers and the mountains in His hands,
He's got the oceans and the seas in His hands, He's got
you and he's got me in His hands, He's got the whole
world in His hands.



He's got everybody here in His hands,
He's got everybody there in His hands,
He's got everybody everywhere in His hands, He's got
the whole world in His hands.

Hush, little baby,

Hush, little baby, don't say a word, Mama's going
to buy you a mockingbird.

And if that mockingbird don't sing, Mama's going
to buy you a diamond ring.

And if that diamond ring turns brass, Mama's going to
buy you a looking glass.

And if that looking glass gets broke, Mama's going
to buy you a billy goat.

And if that billy goat won't pull,
Mama's going to buy you a cart and bull.

And if that cart and bull turn over,
Mama's going to buy you a dog named Rover.

And if that dog named Rover won't bark, Mama's going to
buy you a horse and cart.

And if that horse and cart fall down,
You'll still be the sweetest little baby in town.

Happy days are here again,

So long sad times
Go long bad times

We are rid of you at last

Howdy gay times

Cloudy gray times

You are now a thing of the past

Happy days are here again

The skies above are clear again

So let's sing a song of cheer again Happy days
are here again

Altogether shout it now

There's no one

Who can doubt it now

So let's tell the world about it now Happy days
are here again

Your cares and troubles are gone There'll be
no more from now on From now on ...

Happy days are here again

The skies above are clear again

So, Let's sing a song of cheer again

Happy times

Happy nights

Happy days

Are here again!



A-tisket a-tasket,

A-tisket a-tasket

A green and yellow basket

I wrote a letter to my love

And on the way I dropped it

I dropped it, I dropped it

And on the way I dropped it
A little boy (girl) picked it up
And put it in his (her) pocket



A frog went a courtin,

A frog went a-courtin' and he did ride, M-hm, M-hm.

A frog went a-courtin' and he did ride, Sword and
pistol by his side, M-hm, M-hm.

He rode up to Miss Mousie's door, M-hm, M-hm,
He rode up to Miss Mousie's door,
Where he'd often been before, M-hm, M-hm.

He said, "Miss Mouse, are you within?" M-hm, M-hm,
He said, "Miss Mouse, are you within?" "Yes, kind
sir, I sit and spin." M-hm, M-hm.

He took Miss Mouse upon his knee, M-hm, M-hm,
He took Miss Mouse upon his knee
Said "Miss Mouse, will you marry me?" M-hm, M-hm.

"Without my Uncle Rat's consent, M-hm, M-hm,
Without my Uncle Rat's consent
I wouldn't marry the President." M-hm, M-hm.



Uncle Rat, he laughed and shook his fat sides, M-hm, M-hm,
Uncle Rat, he laughed and shook his fat sides To think his
niece would be a bride, M-hm, M-hm.

Then Uncle Rat rode off to town, M-hm, M-hm,
Then Uncle Rat rode off to town
To buy his niece a wedding gown, M-hm, M-hm.

Then Uncle Rat rode off to town, M-hm, M-hm,
Then Uncle Rat rode off to town
To buy his niece a wedding gown, M-hm, M-hm.
“Oh, where will the wedding supper be?” M-hm, M-hm,
“Oh where will the wedding supper be?”
“Way down yonder in the hollow tree.” M-hm, M-hm.

The first to come was the little white moth, M-hm, M-hm, The first to
come was the little white moth She spread out the tablecloth, M-hm,
M-hm.

The next to come was the bumblebee, M-hm, M-hm,
The next to come was the bumblebee Played the fiddle upon his knee,
M-hm, M-hm.

The next to come was a little flea, M-hm, M-hm,
The next to come was a little flea
Danced a jig with the bumblebee, M-hm, M-hm.

The next to come was Missus Cow, M-hm, M-hm,
The next to come was Missus Cow
Tried to dance but didn't know how, M-hm, M-hm.

Now Mister Frog was dressed in green, M-hm, M-hm,
Now Mister Frog was dressed in green
Sweet Miss Mouse looked like a queen, M-hm, M-hm.

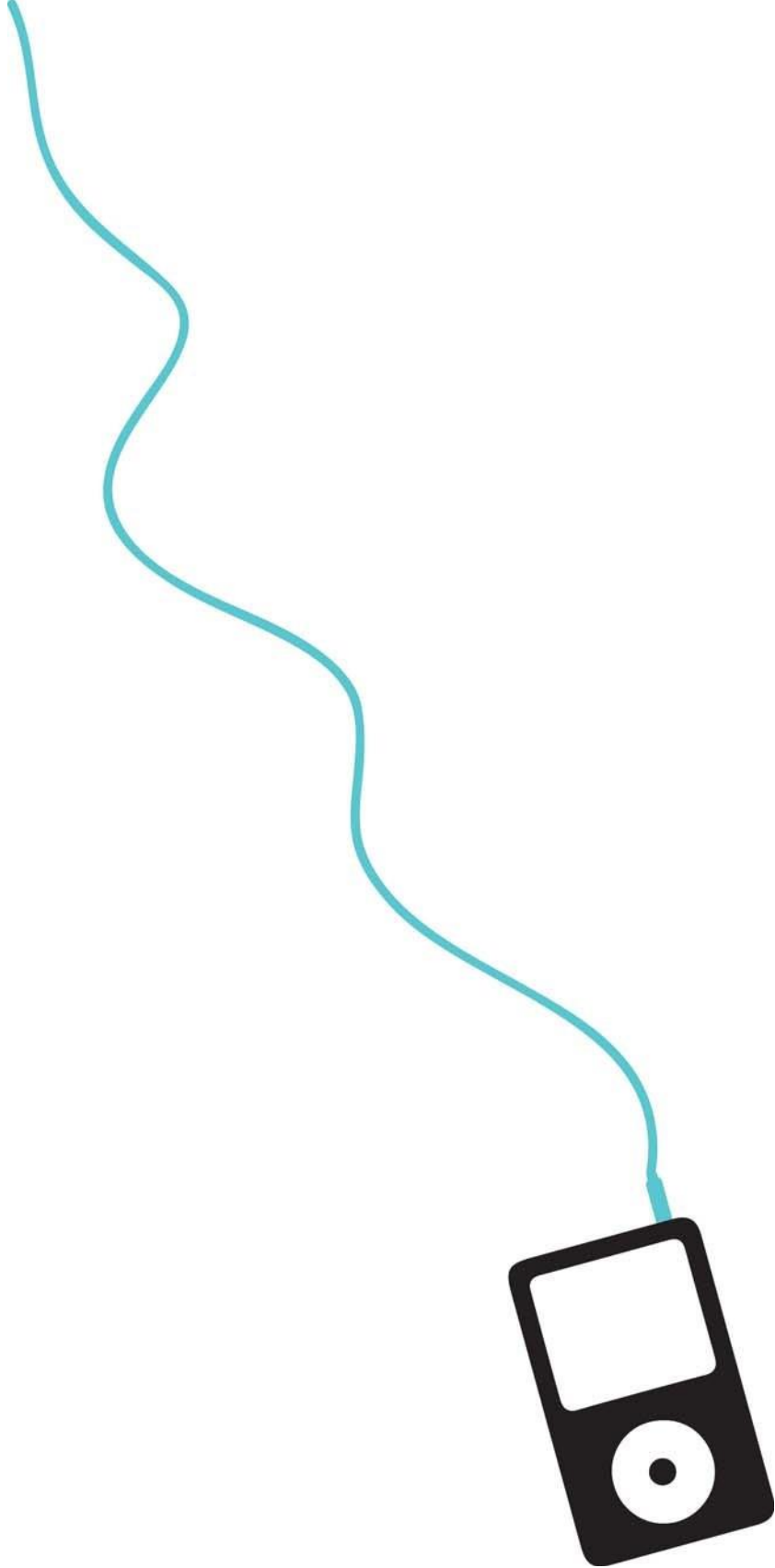
In slowly walked the Parson Rook, M-hm, M-hm,
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Under his arm he carried a book, M-hm, M-hm.

They all gathered round the lucky pair, M-hm, M-hm,
They all gathered round the lucky pair Singing, dancing
everywhere, M-hm, M-hm.

Then Frog and Mouse went off to France, M-hm, M-hm,
Then Frog and Mouse went off to France
That's the end of my romance, M-hm, M-hm.



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