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List of nursery rhymes

The term "nursery rhyme" emerged in the third decade of the nineteenth century although this type of children's literature previously existed with different names such as *Tommy Thumb Songs* and *Mother Goose Songs*.^[1] The first known book containing a collection of these texts was *Tommy Thumb's Pretty Song Book*, which was written by H. Cooper and was published in 1744.^[2] The works of several scholars and collectors helped document and preserve these oral traditions as well as their histories. These include Iona and Peter Opie, Joseph Ritson, James Orchard Halliwell, and Sir Walter Scott.^[3]

Nursery rhymes

The following is a list of nursery rhymes.

Title	Other titles	Place of origin	Date first recorded
<u>Aiken Drum</u>		Scotland	1825
<u>A Was an Apple Pie</u>		England	1672
<u>Apples and Bananas</u>		North America	1985
<u>A Wise Old Owl</u>		USA	1915
<u>A-Tisket, A-Tasket</u>		USA	c. 1879
<u>As I was going by Charing Cross</u>	'As I was going to Charing Cross'	England	17th century
<u>As I was going to St Ives</u>		England	c. 1730
<u>Baa, Baa, Black Sheep</u>		England	c. 1744
<u>Billy Boy</u>		England	1912
<u>Bingo</u>		England	c. 1780
<u>Bobby Shafto's Gone to Sea</u>		England	1805
<u>Bye, Baby Bunting</u>		England	1784
<u>Can you count the stars</u>		Germany	1837
<u>Cock-a-Doodle Doo</u>		England	1765
<u>Daisy Bell</u> or <u>Daisy Daisy</u>		England	1882
<u>Did You Ever See a Lassie?</u>		USA or Scotland	1895-1900
<u>Diddle, Diddle, Dumpling, My Son John</u>		England	1797
<u>Ding Dong Bell</u>		England	1580
<u>Doctor Foster</u>		England	1844
<u>Donkey, Donkey I Beg You</u>		England	c.1780s
<u>Eeny, Meeny, Miny, Moe</u>		Britain or USA	1888
<u>Eeper Weeper</u>	'Heeper Peeper'	England	late 19th early 20th century
<u>Five Little Ducks</u>	May Limang Pato Akong Nakita	Philippines	1921
<u>Five Little Monkeys</u>	Limang Unggoy Na Natalo Sa Pusoy	Philippines	1871
<u>Five Little Speckled Frogs</u>		USA	20th century
<u>Foxy's Hole</u>		England	16th century
<u>Frère Jacques</u>	'Brother John'	France	c. 1780
<u>Frog Went A-Courting</u>		England	1611
<u>Georgie Porgie</u>		England	c. 1850
<u>Girls and Boys Come Out To Play</u>	'Boys and Girls Come Out to Play'	England	1708
<u>Goosey Goosey Gander</u>		England	1784
<u>Green Grow The Rushes, O</u>		England	
<u>Here We Go Round the Mulberry Bush</u>	'Mulberry Bush'	England	c. 1850

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<u>Hey Diddle Diddle</u>		England	c. 1765
<u>Hickory Dickory Dock</u>	'Hickety Dickety Dock'	England	c. 1744
<u>Hot Cross Buns</u>		England	1797
<u>How Many Miles to Babylon?</u>		Scotland	1801
<u>Humpty Dumpty</u>		England	1803
<u>Hush Little Baby</u>		USA	before 1918
<u>If Wishes Were Horses, Beggars Would Ride</u>	'If wishes were horses'	Britain	1605
<u>If You're Happy and You Know It</u>		USA	1916
<u>I Do Not Like Thee, Doctor Fell</u>		England	1680
<u>I Had a Little Nut Tree</u>		England	1789
<u>I Have Two Hands</u>		Philippines	early 20th century
<u>I'm a Little Teapot</u>		USA	1939
<u>I'll Tell Me Ma</u>	'The Wind'	England, adapted in Ireland	1988
<u>I Love Little Pussy</u>	'I Love Little Kitty'	England	1830
<u>It's Raining, It's Pouring</u>		USA	1939
<u>Itsy Bitsy Spider</u>	'Eensy Weensy Spider', 'Insey Winsey Spider', 'Incy Wincy Spider'	USA	1910
<u>Jack and Jill</u>		England	c. 1765
<u>Jack-a-Nory</u>		England	c. 1760
<u>Jack Be Nimble</u>		England	c. 1815
<u>Jack Sprat</u>		England	1639
<u>Johny Johny Yes Papa</u>		USA	2009
<u>Ladybird Ladybird</u>	'Ladybug Ladybug'	Britain	c. 1744
<u>Lavender's Blue</u>	'Lavender Blue'	England	late 17th century
<u>Little Arabella Miller</u>		USA	20th century
<u>Little Bo-Peep</u>		England	c. 1805
<u>Little Boy Blue</u>		England	c. 1744
<u>Little Jack Horner</u>		England	1725
<u>Little Miss Muffet</u>		England	1805
<u>Little Poll Parrot</u>		England	1853
<u>Little Robin Redbreast</u>		England	c. 1744
<u>Little Tommy Tucker</u>		England	c. 1744
<u>London Bridge Is Falling Down</u>		England	c. 1744
<u>Lucy Locket</u>		England or USA	1842

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<u>Mary Had a Little Lamb</u>		USA	1830
<u>Mary, Mary, Quite Contrary</u>		England	c. 1744
<u>Matthew, Mark, Luke and John</u>	"Black Paternoster"	Britain	1656
<u>Monday's Child</u>		England	1838
<u>Needles and Pins</u>		England	1843
<u>Nuts in May</u>	'Gathering Nuts in May'	England	1894
<u>Old King Cole</u>		England	1708-1709
<u>Old MacDonald Had a Farm</u>		USA	1917
<u>Old Mother Hubbard</u>		England	1805
<u>On Top of Old Smoky</u>		USA	1951
<u>One for Sorrow</u>		Britain	c. 1780
<u>One, Two, Buckle My Shoe</u>		USA	1805
<u>One, Two, Three, Four, Five</u>		England	c. 1765
<u>Oranges and Lemons</u>		England	c. 1744
<u>Pat-a-Cake, Pat-a-Cake, Baker's Man</u>	"Pat-a-cake", "patty-cake" or "pattycake"	England	1698
<u>Pease Porridge Hot</u>	'Peas Porridge Hot' or 'Pease Pudding Hot'	England	c. 1765
<u>Peter Peter Pumpkin Eater</u>		USA	c. 1825
<u>Peter Piper</u>		England	1813
<u>Polly Put the Kettle On</u>		England	1803
<u>Poor Mary</u>	'Poor Jenny' or 'Poor Sally'	England	1880s
<u>Pop Goes the Weasel</u>		England	1850s
<u>Pretty Little Dutch Girl</u>		USA	1940s
<u>The Queen of Hearts</u>		Britain	1782
<u>Pussy Cat Pussy Cat</u>		Britain	1805
<u>Rain Rain Go Away</u>		England	17th century or earlier
<u>Ride a Cock Horse to Banbury Cross</u>		England	1784
<u>Ring-a-Ring o' Roses</u>	'Ring Around the Rosie'	England	1881
<u>Rock-a-bye Baby</u>	Hush a bye Baby	England	c. 1765
<u>Roses Are Red</u>		England	1784
<u>Round and Round the Garden</u>		Britain	1940s
<u>Row, Row, Row Your Boat</u>		USA	1852
<u>Rub-a-Dub Dub</u>		England	1798
<u>See Saw Margery Daw</u>		Britain	c. 1765

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<u>Simple Simon</u>		England	1764
<u>Sing a Song of Sixpence</u>		England	c. 1744
<u>Solomon Grundy</u>		Britain	1842
<u>Star Light, Star Bright</u>		USA	late 19th century
<u>Sticks and Stones</u>		Britain	before 1872
<u>Sur le Pont d'Avignon</u>		France	15th Century
<u>Taffy was a Welshman</u>		England	c. 1780
<u>Ten Green Bottles</u>		UK	1830
<u>Ten Little Indians</u>		USA	1868
<u>The Farmer in the Dell</u>	'The Farmer's in his Den'	Germany	1820
<u>The Grand Old Duke of York</u>	'The Noble Duke of York'	England	1642
<u>The Lion and the Unicorn</u>		England	1708-1709
<u>The More We Get Together</u>		USA	1679
<u>The Moon Has Been Arisen</u>		Germany	1779
<u>The Muffin Man</u>		England	c. 1820
<u>The Wheels on the Bus</u>	'The Bus'	USA	1939
<u>There Was a Crooked Man</u>		Britain	1842
<u>There was an Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe</u>		England	1794
<u>There Was an Old Woman Who Lived Under a Hill</u>		England	1714
<u>This Is The House That Jack Built</u>	'The House That Jack Built'	England	1755
<u>This Little Piggy</u>	'This Little Pig'	England	c. 1760
<u>This Old Man</u>		England	1906
<u>Three Blind Mice</u>		England	1609
<u>Three Little Kittens</u>		USA	1843
<u>Three Wise Men of Gotham</u>		England	c. 1765
<u>Tinker, Tailor</u>		England	1695
<u>To Market, to Market</u>		England	1611
<u>Tom, Tom, the Piper's Son</u>		Britain	1795
<u>Tweedledum and Tweedledee</u>		Britain	1805
<u>Twinkle Twinkle Little Star</u>		France	1806
<u>Two Little Dickie Birds</u>		Britain	c. 1765
<u>Wee Willie Winkie</u>		Scotland	1841
<u>What Are Little Boys Made Of?</u>	'What Are Little Girls Made Of?'	Britain	c. 1820

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<u>When the Boat Comes In</u>		North East England	1826
<u>Where, O Where Has My Little Dog Gone?</u>	'Der Deitcher's Dog'	Germany	1846
<u>Who Killed Cock Robin?</u>		England	c. 1744
<u>Wind the Bobbin Up</u>		England	1890s
<u>Wynken, Blynken, and Nod</u>		USA	1889
<u>Yankee Doodle</u>		USA	1780s

See also

- List of playground songs

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