

# Circle Round the Zero

Informant/Performer:  
Children at Hartwell School  
Lincoln, MA, 1960s

Source:  
Maureen Kenney  
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The musical notation is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes with rests. The lyrics are written below each staff, aligned with the notes.

Cir - cle round the ze - ro, Find your lov - in' ze - ro,

Back, back ze - ro, Side, side ze - ro

Front, front ze - ro, Tap your lov - ing ze - ro.

## Game Directions

Players stand in a circle clapping the beat, spaced slightly apart from each other. The leader walks around the outside of the circle; at "Back, back zero," he stands back to back with one of the players; at "Side, side zero," he stands beside him; at "Front, front zero," he stands facing the child chosen; at "Tap your lovin' zero," he taps him on the shoulders. The game is repeated, with the first leader taking the place of the one he has chosen.