

Down Came a Lady

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Down came a la - dy, down came two,

Down came Lord Dan - iel's wife, and she was dressed in blue.

Game Directions

Children join hands in a circle with one player in the center. All sing, moving clockwise in time to the music. On the final word "blue", the center player points to someone in the circle who is wearing blue. This child then steps out of the circle and walks counter-clockwise around the outside of the circle as the game continues. The second time around the center player points to another child and names another color. The game continues until all players are in the outer circle. On the final round they all point toward the center player, naming his color.