

No Robbers Out Today

Informant/Performer:
Unidentified children
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No rob - bers out to - day, No rob - bers out to - day;
We are sing - ing on our way, For there's no rob - bers out to - day.

Game Directions

This is a game originated by children of the neighborhood. Two "robbers" hide along the path where the travelers have to pass. After the robbers have hidden, the travelers walk along singing the song. Suddenly the robbers rush out and try to catch the rest. Those caught become robbers.