

# JUST FOR FUN *kids songs*

Fun songs are a great way to connect and have fun with children.  
Every song does not have to be a direct & explicit teaching aid about God.

*Use as a **participation** encourager*

*Use as an **energy** burner*

*Use to **connect***

*Use to **contextualise** the theme*

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- Who Stole the Cookie From the Cookie Jar?

## Alice the Camel

Alice the camel has 5 humps,  
Alice the camel has 5 humps,  
Alice the camel has 5 humps,  
Go Alice go, boom boom boom

*Repeat: 4, 3, 2, 1, 0*

*Last line: Alice, you're a horse!*

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GpoqrvTLc8M>

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UmR\\_PCEgd4I](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UmR_PCEgd4I)

## Bear Hunt

*Leader calls out each line with the group repeating each one*

**We're goin' on a bear hunt,  
We're going to catch a big one,  
I'm not scared  
What a beautiful day!**

Oh look! It's some long, wavy grass!  
Can't go over it,  
Can't go under it,  
Can't go around it,  
Got to go through it!

*Make arm motions like you're going through long grass and make swishing sounds.*

*Repeat the four bolded line before each 'verse'*

Oh look! It's a mushroom patch.

Can't go over it,  
Can't go under it,  
Can't go around it,  
Got to go through it!

*Make popping sounds by claspings fingers together and clapping hands.*

Oh look! It's a wide river.

Can't go over it,  
Can't go under it,  
Can't go through it,  
Got to swim across it.

*Pretend to swim and make splashing sounds.*

Oh look! A deep, dark cave.  
Can't go over it,  
Can't go under it,  
Can't go through it,  
Got to go in it.

*Pretend you're in a cave*

Uh, oh! It's dark in here.

I feel something,  
It has lots of hair!  
It has sharp teeth!  
It's a bear!

Hurry back through the river,

*Pretend to swim and make splashing sounds*

Back through the mushroom patch,

*Make popping sounds*

Back through the long grass

*Make motions like you're going through grass and make swishing sounds*

Run in the house and lock the door.

*Make a loud clap sound.*

Phew! That was close!

I'm not afraid!

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WzIcu6tbEko>

# The Blue Jay (the Whooping Cough)

*Start soft, getting louder and hoarser each time through*

Way down yonder and not far off, a blue jay died of the whooping cough,  
He whooped so loud with his whooping cough, that he whooped his head and tail right off!

Next verse, same as the first, but a little bit louder and a little bit worse...

## Boom Chicka Boom

*Repeat each line after the song leader*

I said a Boom Chicka Boom  
I said a Boom Chicka Boom  
I said a Boom Chicka Rocka Chicka Rocka Chicka Boom  
Uh huh  
Oh yeah  
One more time \_\_\_\_ style

### Janitor Style

I said a Broom Sweep-a Broom  
I said a Broom Sweep-a Broom  
I said a Broom Sweep-a Mop-a Sweep-a  
Mop-a Sweep-a Broom

### Rocket Style

I said a Zoom Chicka Zoom  
I said a Zoom Chicka Zoom  
I said a Zoom take a rocket to the moon

### Valley Girl Style

I said like a boom chicka boom  
I said a totally boom chicka boom  
I said there's a sale at the mall, gotta get  
there soon

### Barn-yard Style

I said a moo chicka moo  
I said a moo chicka moo  
I said a moo chicka watch your step, don't  
track it in the room.

### Race Car Style

I said a vroom shifta vroom  
I said a vroom shifta vroom  
I said a vroom shifta grind-a shifta grind-a  
shifta vroom

### Flower Style

I said a bloom chicka bloom  
I said a bloom chicka bloom

I said a bloom chicka blossom smell those  
flowers chicka bloom

### Parent Style

I said a boom GO TO YOUR ROOM  
I said a boom GO TO YOUR ROOM  
I said a boom GO TO YOUR ROOM and don't  
come out 'til next June.

### Arnold Schwarznegger Style

*Speak it slowly with a heavy 'Ahnold' accent  
and shoot a gun on every BOOM*  
Ich sprach Boom Chicka Boom  
Ich sprach Boom Chicka Boom  
Ich sprach Boom Chicka Rocka Chicka  
Rocka Chicka Boom  
Ah hah  
Oh ja  
Noch ein mal \_\_\_\_ style.

### Photographer Style

I said a zoom clicka zoom.  
I said a zoom clicka zoom.  
I said a zoom clicka Smile Watch the Birdie  
clicka zoom.

### Thunderstorm Style

I said a boom crasha boom  
I said a boom crasha boom  
I said a boom crasha flasha crasha flasha  
crasha boom

**Surfer Style**

I said a dude chicka dude  
 I said a dude chicka dude  
 I said a dude chicka wipe out chicka WHOA  
 chicka dude

**Librarian Style**

I said a book read a book  
 I said a book read a book

I said a book choose a novel, keep it quiet,  
 read a book

**Fire Style**

I said a OUCH chicka OUCH  
 I said a OUCH chicka OUCH  
 I said a OUCH burnt my finger in the fire  
 Chicka OUCH

There are other styles to say the normal lyrics rather than making up other words:

**Baby style**

**Grandpa style** - with lips wrapped over teeth

**Opera Singer**

**Underwater** - wiggle finger over lips

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IqeiqydwC8>

## Brush Your Teeth (When you wake up in the mornin')

If you get up in the morning at a quarter to one, and you want to have a little fun,  
 You brush your teeth ch ch ch ch, ch ch ch ch...

If you get up in the morning at a quarter to two, and you want to find something to do,  
 You brush your teeth ch ch ch ch, ch ch ch ch...

If you get up in the morning at a quarter to three, and your mind starts going twiddledy-dee,  
 If you get up in the morning at a quarter to four, and you think you hear a knock on your door,  
 If you get up in the morning at a quarter to five, and you just can't wait to come alive,

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dpNjvaD47k4> (jump to 2:00)

## Don't Throw Your Junk in My Backyard

*Can be sung as a three part round*

One bottle of pop, two bottles of pop,  
 Three bottles of pop, four bottles of pop,  
 Five bottles of pop, six bottles of pop,  
 Seven bottles of pop, POP!

Fish and chips and vinegar,  
 Vinegar, vinegar,  
 Fish and chips and vinegar,  
 Pepper, pepper, pepper salt!

Don't throw your junk in my backyard,  
 My backyard, my backyard,  
 Don't throw your junk in my backyard,  
 My backyard's full!

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=je-rbBgOLO>

## Heads, Shoulders, Knees and Toes

*While singing, touch both hands to the head, then the shoulders, then the knees, and then the toes, in time with the words. Then on the second verse, miss out the word "Head", but still do the actions. On the third verse, miss out the word "Shoulders", and so on. Finish with all the words back in, but singing as fast as possible!*

Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes,  
Knees and Toes  
Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes,  
Knees and Toes

Eyes and Ears and Mouth and Nose  
Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gFuZ6LPDYQc>

## Hermie the Worm

I was sitting on a fencepost chewing my bubblegum (*four loud chewing noises*)  
Playing with my yo-yo (doo-wop, doo-wop)  
When along came Hermie the worm  
And he was thiiiiiiis big (*hold hands about 20cm apart*)  
And I said, "Hermie, what happened to you?"  
And he said, "Duh, I ate an ant."

*Repeat with larger and larger animals being eaten, and holding hands further apart each time*

And he said, "Duh, I ate a mouse."  
... a cat  
... a horse  
... a whale

*Last time, hold your fingers a tiny distance apart*

And he said, "Duh, I burped."

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mVc6hzopY5Y>

## I Like to Eat

*Start with the regular words, then replace all different vowel sounds with different ones*

I like to eat, eat, eat, apples and bananas (x 2)  
I like to ate, ate, ate, ay-ples and ba-nay-nays (x 2)  
I like to eat, eat, eat, eep-ples and bee-nee-nees (x 2)  
I like to ite, ite, ite, i-pels and bi-ni-nis (x 2)  
I like to oat, oat, oat, o-pals and bo-no-nose (x 2)  
I like to oot, oot, oot, oop-ples and boo-noo-noos (x 2)  
*etc... then get creative*

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dmW3aBqZtKQ>

## I'm a Little Piece of Tin

I'm a little piece of tin  
Nobody knows what shape I'm in  
I got four wheels and a running board  
I'm not a Chevy and I'm not a Ford

Honk, Honk, rattle, rattle, crash, beep, beep,

Honk, honk, rattle, rattle, crash, beep, beep.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EUIRky8ARB0>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zrGLkd4EY7k>

## King of Kings

He is the King of kings  
He is the Lord of lords  
His name is Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, Ooooooh (*hold while someone runs around the group*)  
He is the King

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nIFx-0WPXxw>

## Little Green Frog

Glumph, glumph went the little green frog one day,  
Glumph, glumph, went the little green frog.  
Glumph, glumph, went the little green frog one day,  
So we all went glumph, glumph, glumph.

But we all know frogs go (*clap*) la-de-da-de-da, (*clap*) la-de-da-de-da, (*clap*) la-de-da-de-da,  
We all know frogs go (*clap*) la-de-da-de-da  
They don't go glumph, glumph, glumph.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xxUnctZxfUM>

## Mr Clicketty Cane

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When Mr Clicketty Cane, plays a silly game, all the kids in the street, they like to do the same:  
Wash your face in orange juice  
*Group repeats this line*

*Sing again from the start, adding on a new line each time, the group repeating each one:*

Clean your teeth with bubblegum  
Fix the fence with sticky tape  
Brush your hair with a toothbrush  
Fry an egg on the slippery dip  
Belly flop in a pizza!? Eewwww... yuck!

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oSWIwtmFrk4>

## My Highland Goat

*Repeat each line after the song leader*

My highland goat  
Was feeling fine  
Ate three red shirts  
Off my back line  
His master Jack  
Gave him a whack  
And tied him to  
The rail road track

My highland goatie-oatie-oatie-oatie-oat  
Was feeling finey-iney-iney-iney-ine  
Ate three red shirty-irty-irty-irty-irts  
Off my back liney-iney-iney-iney-ine  
His master Jacky-acky-acky-acky-ack  
Gave him a whacky-acky-acky-acky-ack  
And tied him tooi-ooi-ooi-ooi-oo  
The rail road tracky-acky-acky-acky-ack.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4WQK6PRo7mg>

## Old McDonald Had a Ford

Old MacDonald had a Ford, E-I, E-I, O  
And in that Ford he had a seat,  
The prettiest little seat that you ever did see  
And the seat was on the floor and the floor was on the wheels  
And the wheels were on the ground  
And the engine in the Ford made the wheels go round  
Match in the gas tank – *Boom! Boom!*

Old MacDonald had a Ford, E-I, E-I, O  
And in that Ford **he had a girl,**  
The prettiest little **girl** that you ever did see  
And the girl was on the seat and the seat was on the floor  
And the floor was on the wheels and the wheels were on the ground  
And the engine in the Ford made the wheels go round  
Match in the gas tank – *Boom! Boom!*

*Each time through, you add a new line to the start of the list of things that are 'on the' other things*

... he had a curl  
... he had a hat  
... he had a feather  
... he had a flea  
... he had a tiny little microscopic insect

[http://www.bushfirepress.com/promotions/singing/Old\\_MacDonalds\\_Ford.mp3](http://www.bushfirepress.com/promotions/singing/Old_MacDonalds_Ford.mp3)  
[http://www.bushfirepress.com/promotions/singing/Old\\_MacDonalds\\_Ford.pdf](http://www.bushfirepress.com/promotions/singing/Old_MacDonalds_Ford.pdf)

## Peel Peel Banana

Bananas, Unite! (*slap your hands over your head and keep them there*)

*Repeat each line twice*

Peel, bananas, peel, peel bananas (*mimic the act of peeling a banana*)

Slice bananas, slice, slice bananas (*mimic slicing*)

Eat bananas, eat, eat bananas (*mimic eating a banana*)

Go bananas, go, go bananas (*wave your hands over your head and twirl around*)

Goooooo Bananas! (*shouted*)

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-JeQrX-gONw>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SCIxO911p8I>

## Ping-Pong Ball

*To the melody of the William Tell Overture*

*Split the kids into 'ping' and 'pong' – all crouch down and each group jumps up when they say their word*

I've got a head like a ping-pong ball (x 3)  
piiiing-pong ball.

Ping-pong, ping-pong, ping-pong, ping-pong, ping-pong, ping-pong, ping-pong ball.  
ping-pong, ping-pong, ping-pong, ping-pong, ping-pong, ping-pong ball.

Ping, ping ping, ping ping ping ping ping ping... PONG!

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lp0Q\\_YYD-BY](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lp0Q_YYD-BY)

## The Pizza Hut

A pizza hut, a pizza hut  
Kentucky fried chicken and a pizza hut  
A pizza hut, a pizza hut  
Kentucky fried chicken and a pizza hut  
McDonalds, McDonalds  
Kentucky fried chicken and a pizza hut  
McDonalds, McDonalds  
Kentucky fried chicken and a pizza hut

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HKm5\\_Nd5YHs](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HKm5_Nd5YHs)



## The Princess Pat

*Repeat each line after the song leader*

Oh, the Princess Pat,  
Lived in a tree,  
she sailed across  
the seven seas,  
she sailed across  
the channel too  
and took with her  
a ricka bamboo

a ricka bamboo,  
now what is that,  
its something made  
by the princess pat,  
its red and gold,  
and purple too,  
thats why it's called  
a ricka bamboo

Now, the captain Jack,  
had a mighty fine crew,  
he sailed across  
the channel two,  
but his ship sank  
and so will you  
if you don't take  
a ricka bamboo

a ricka bamboo,  
now what is that,  
its something made  
by the princess pat,  
its red and gold,  
and purple too,  
thats why it's called  
a ricka bamboo

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MAEfoDjAlqo>

## The Quartermaster's Store

There were mice, mice, eating all the rice  
In the stores, in the stores  
There were mice, mice eating all the rice  
In the Quartermaster's store

My eyes are dim I cannot see  
I have not brought my specs with me  
I have not brought my specs with me.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2pLKB3Mv0Aw>

*Ideas for more verses*

Snakes ... Big as garden rakes  
Mice ... Running through the rice.  
Owls ... Shredding paper towels.  
Snails ... Crawling on the nails.  
Antelopes ... Using all the rope.  
Bears ... With curlers in their hair  
Fleas ... Crawling on our knees.  
Merchandise ... Sold at twice the price.  
Rac-rac-coons ... Stealing all the spoons.

Apes ... eating all the grapes.  
Beans ... as big as submarines.  
Bees ... with little knobby knees.  
Cakes ... that give us tummy aches.  
Cheese ... that makes you want to sneeze.  
Flour ... that will give you super power.  
Fishes ... washing all the dishes.  
Goats ... eating all the oats.  
Leaders ... slapping at the skeeters.

## Singing in the Rain

I'm singing in the rain, just singing in the rain  
What a glorious feeling, I'm ch-ch-ch, ch-ch-ch, ch-ch-ch-ch, Woo!  
I'm ch-ch-ch, ch-ch-ch, ch-ch-ch-ch, Woo!

*Leader calls out Arms Up!*

*Everyone repeats, and sticks their arms up, waving them around through another verse*

Arms Up! Thumbs Up!

Arms Up! Thumbs Up! Elbows In!

... Knees together

... Bum out

... Head back

... Tongue out

... Turn around

... Sit down!

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VoHcwbBNeUM>

## Who Stole the Cookie From the Cookie Jar?

*A chant, can be done with some rhythm – slap hands on legs on beat 1 & 3, clap on beat 2 & 4*

**Accuser:** Who stole the cookie from the cookie jar?

(name of a child in the circle) stole the cookie from the cookie jar.

**Accused:** Who, me?

**Accuser/Group:** Yes, you!

**Accused:** Couldn't be!

**Accuser/Group:** Then who?

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Eh\\_fRQRAGo0](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Eh_fRQRAGo0) *the video gives ideas for use in various ways*