

SONGS & SUCH

Here We Go Round the Birthday Cake



This personalized birthday song will have your little ones huffing, puffing, and giggling! During a group time, lead children in circling around the birthday boy or girl as they sing the first verse of the following song. Then have them circle around in the opposite direction as they sing the second verse. Invite the honoree to pretend to blow out the candles (her classmates). Your preschoolers will giggle with delight as they fall to the floor!

(sung to the tune of "The Mulberry Bush")

Here we go round the birthday cake, the birthday cake, the birthday cake.
Here we go round the birthday cake.
Today is [child's name]'s birthday!

Make a wish and blow us out, blow us out, blow us out.
Make a wish and blow us out.
Today is [child's name]'s birthday!

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Wash Your Hands



Invite youngsters to join you in clapping and singing while they wait in line to wash their hands. You might want to post a copy of the song near your sink as a reminder. You'll sing those germs away!

(sung to the tune of "Yankee Doodle")

Wash your hands before you eat.
Wash those germs away.
Use soap and water; rinse them off.
You'll have clean hands today!

Soap your hands and rub, rub, rub!
Wash those germs away.
Rinse with water; pat them dry.
You'll have clean hands today!

Suzanne Moore



I'm a Firefighter

(sung to the tune of "I'm a Little Teapot")

I'm a firefighter.
Here's my hose.
I put out fires,
As everyone knows.
When I see a fire,
I douse it out.
"Thank you! Thank you!"
People shout.

Point to self.
Outstretch arm with finger pointed.

Hand over brow.
Outstretch arm with finger pointed.

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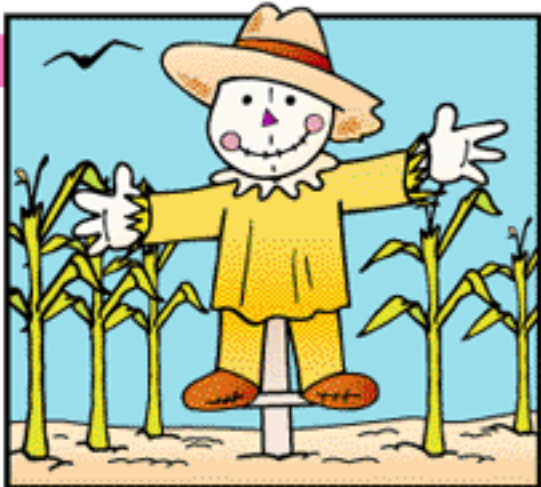
I'm a Little Scarecrow

(sung to the tune of "I'm a Little Teapot")

I'm a little scarecrow
Stuffed with hay.
Here I stand in a field all day.
When I see the crows,
I like to shout,
"Hey! You crows, you better get out!"

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Did You Ever See a Turkey?

Reinforce color recognition with this turkey tune. In advance, cut out a class supply of red, brown, yellow, and orange construction paper feathers. Give each child one feather. As the class sings the song below, have each student hold up his feather when its color is mentioned.

(sung to the tune of "Did You Ever See a Lassie?")

Did you ever see a turkey, a turkey, a turkey
As he struts around the farmyard with feathers so bright?
With red ones and brown ones and yellow ones and orange ones,
Did you ever see a turkey with feathers so bright?

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