5 Transitional Songs

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Music is like a language and should be practised and used on a regular basis.

And like in any language, children should enjoy and experience the richness of the "old" (words) and the freshness of the "new".

Singing is one of the oldest ways of passing on traditions. And singing a capella was always the foundation of all folk music.

Sometimes we can relate better to the things we already know and usually, a very important message can be delivered in a very simple form.

I believe that old traditional songs and nursery rhythms should be included in every day play and activities for preschool children.

So, let's put all our efforts together and teach our children how to use the magical power of music. Enjoy now singing with your child and the whole family!

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Make a Circle

(Tune of "Incy Wincy Spider" / Lyrics by Galina Zenin)

Make a circle,
Make a circle
Hold your hands,
Hold your hands
Make a lovely circle,
Make a lovely circle
And sit down,
And sit down



Tidy Up

(Tune of "Mary Had a Little Lamb" / Lyrics by Galina Zenin)

Now, it's time to tidy up, Tidy up, tidy up Now it's time to tidy up Let's put our things away

Put the toys and books on shelves Put on shelves, put on shelves Put the toys and books on shelves Now your room is nice and neat, Nice and neat, nice and neat,

Now your room is nice and neat
Thank you very much!
(or Thank you dear Will
or: You're a super boy / girl!)
(Make up your own verses or change



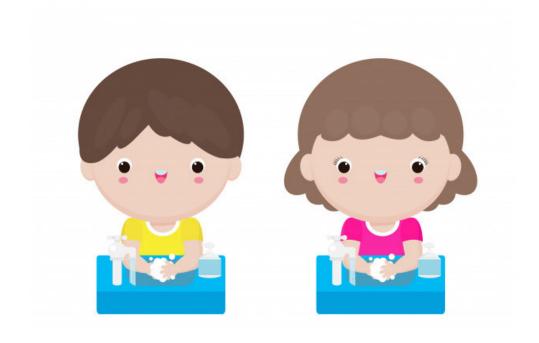




Roll Up Your Sleeves

(Tune of "Incy Wincy Spider" / Lyrics by Galina Zenin)

Roll up your sleeves before you have a meal. Then wash your hands with soap until they're clean Out comes the water to wash the germs away, So roll up your sleeves before you eat again.





Slip, Slop, Slap

(Tune of "Hot Cross Buns" / Lyrics by Galina Zenin)

Slip, Slop, Slap
Sing with me and clap
When you're going out to play
Slip, Slop, Slap

Slip, Slip, Slip When you're out to play Put your sunnies on your nose Slip, Slop, Slap

Slop, Slop, Slop When you're out to play Put your sunscreen on your skin Slip, Slop, Slap Slap, Slap, Slap When you're out to play Put your hat on your head Slip, Slop, Slap

Slip, Slop, Slap, Sing again and clap Now it's safe to go and play Slip, Slop, Slap!





Four Little Monkeys

(Tune of "Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear" / Lyrics by Galina Zenin)

Going outside...

Slowly:

Four little Monkeys worked all day Four little Monkeys going to play Four little Monkeys worked all day Four little Monkeys going to play

<u>Increase the speed:</u>

Four little Monkeys worked all day Four little Monkeys going to play (Repeat)

Coming back home...

Slowly:

Four little Monkeys getting in a pack

Four little Monkeys coming back

Four little Monkeys getting in a pack

Four little Monkeys coming back

Increase the speed:

Four little Monkeys getting in a pack
Four little Monkeys coming back
(Repeat)



