



## National Youth Choir of Scotland

The National Youth Choir of Scotland have been posting songs, musical games and activities that you can play at home to keep developing musicianship skills and have fun.

The following activity is suitable for all ages and uses the well-known rhyme 'This Old Man'.

Watch the video together and have fun trying to copy the actions to the song. Don't worry if you can't make the clicking sound when clicking your fingers – I can't either! Just try doing the finger action anyway.

Some actions are easier than others and the aim is to have a go and have fun so don't worry if you can't keep up!

Once you've tried this you might like to have a go at:

- Making up your own actions to follow the rhythm of the words. Can you make up actions that everyone in your family can follow?
- Using your own rhyming words for the verses.

The video can be found by clicking this link:

<https://safeYouTube.net/w/gOOE>

The original words to the song are on the next page.

The instructions for this game are attached in a separate sheet.

**Have fun!**

## This Old Man

This old man, he played two,  
He played knick-knack on my shoe;  
With a knick-knack paddywhack,  
Give a dog a bone,  
This old man came rolling home.

This old man, he played three,  
He played knick-knack on my knee;  
With a knick-knack paddywhack,  
Give a dog a bone,  
This old man came rolling home.

This old man, he played four,  
He played knick-knack on my door;  
With a knick-knack paddywhack,  
Give a dog a bone,  
This old man came rolling home.

This old man, he played five,  
He played knick-knack on my hive;  
With a knick-knack paddywhack,  
Give a dog a bone,  
This old man came rolling home.