

Hot Potato

For ages 7+



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Get rid of the hot potato!

Ball game:

You will need two small balls – they don't need to be bouncing balls.

Basic pattern: Hold the ball in one hand

Beat one: Throw the ball in the air and click fingers of the same hand

Beat two: Catch in the same hand

Beat three: Pass to the other hand

Beat four: Catch with the other hand

This pattern is repeated three times for the first three lines of the song

On the final line of the song

As beats three and four above : Pass to other hand/catch/pass to other hand/ catch

The ball should end up in the opposite hand to the one you started with.

With two balls:

Start with a ball in each hand.

Lines one to three: Performed exactly the same as above except that when the ball is passed from one hand to the other in the air, the other ball is passed very quickly to the other hand too.

So the pattern is Throw/click/ catch/pass/pass/catch.

On line four: Pass both balls in the air to the other hand and catch.

Hot Potato is in [Singing Games and Rhymes for Middle Years 1 with different games.](#)