Chiri bim

Chiri bim, chiri bom, chiri bim, bom, bim, bom, bim, bom. Chiri bim, chiri bom, chiri bim, bom, bim, bom, bim, bom. Ay chiri, chiri, chiri, bim, bim, bom. Ay chiri, chiri, chiri, bim, bim, bom. Ay chiri, chiri, chiri, bim, bom.

Stick game:

You will need a pair of sticks/chopsticks/pencils etc.

Seated on the floor have the drumsticks one in each hand ready to begin.

Each of the words in the song has a different action.

1st two lines of the song

Chiri: tap the floor with one drumstick followed by the other. Bim: Cross sticks and click together in front of your body. Bom: Tap the floor either to the left or the right (alternating by phrase of the song).

2nd, 3rd and 4th lines of the song

Ensure that you lead the tapping on the floor on the side that you will tap for Bom – it makes it easier than crossing hands.

Ay: tap the floor with the end of both sticks.

All other actions are the same as before remembering to alternate sides for bom according to the phrases of the song.

To make the game more challenging you can choose to say one of the words in your thinking voice.

This song can be found on the Kodály Hub www.kodalyhub.com