

Diddle Diddle Dumping

Did-dle did-dle dump - ling, my son John, Went to bed with his trou-sers on.

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One shoe off and one shoe on, Did-dle did-dle dump - ling, my son John.

Diddle diddle dumping, my son John,
Went to bed with his trousers on.
One shoe off and one shoe on,
Diddle diddle dumping, my son John.

About the Music:

- Instruments: Percussion – Temple Blocks
- Temple blocks play a short introduction based on the rhythm of the words **Diddle, diddle**.
- Dan recites the text and Monica adds the last words of each line: **John**, or **on**.
- Percussion interlude, which then continues as an accompaniment while Monica says the rhyme with Dan completing each line.
- Monica and Dan then say rhyme in canon with Monica leading.
- Temple blocks conclude.

Activities:

1. Learn to say the words **Diddle, diddle** in the correct rhythm.
2. See if you can say **Diddle, diddle** all the way through the rhyme.
3. Join in with Monica or Dan on the rhyming words.
4. Find a different way of saying the rhyme by changing your voices the way Monica and Dan do.
5. Divide the group in half and say the canon with Monica and Dan.
6. See if you can play the rhythm of **Diddle, diddle** on your knees while saying the rhyme.