
Little Red Wagon

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Encourage children to crawl on the floor using two arms and two knees to represent four wheels. As each wheel goes flat, children will stop using first one arm, then the opposite leg, then the other arm, and eventually the other leg. They will end up on their tummy.

A little red wagon so shiny and new
Rolling along on four new wheels.
Zipping down the road just as free as you please
Four new wheels and I am rolling with ease.
And then "Pop!" A wheel just blew.

One flat tire doesn't bother me
I'll get by with only three.
Zipping down the road just as free as you please
Three new wheels are all I need.
And then "Pop!" A wheel just blew.

Another flat wheel, now what will I do
I'll have to get by with only two.
Zipping down the road is a little harder now
Two new wheels are all I have now.
And then "Pop!" A wheel just blew.
Another flat wheel, now that leaves one
Zipping down the road just can't be done.
Trying my best but getting nowhere
Another flat wheel just wouldn't be fair.
And then "Pop!" A wheel just blew.

Another flat wheel means none are left
Lying on the ground is all I can do.
Zipping down the road would be such fun
But without any wheels it just can't be done.
And then "Pop!" "Hey, wait a minute!
There aren't any wheels left.



Johnny Works with Hammers

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Johnny works with one hammer,
One hammer, one hammer.
Johnny works with one hammer
Then he works with two.

(make hammering motion with right hand)

Johnny works with two hammers,
Two hammers, two hammers.
Johnny works with two hammers
Then he works with three.

(motion with left and right hands)

Johnny works with three hammers,
Three hammers, three hammers.
Johnny works with three hammers
Then he works with four.

(motion with both hands and right foot)

Johnny works with four hammers,
Four hammers, four hammers.
Johnny works with four hammers
Then he works with five.

(motion with both hands and both feet)

Johnny works with five hammers,
Five hammers, five hammers.
Johnny works with five hammers
Then he goes to bed.

(motion with both hands and feet and with head)





I had a dream I was a washing machine!
A washing machine was I.
I'd fill up with water, then I'd twist and turn,
And watch the clothes wash bye.
SWISH! SWISH! SWISH! SWISH! SWISH!

I had a dream I was a flying machine!
A jet plane was I.
I'd fly through the sky, up high with the birds,
And watch the clouds float by.
Whrrrr! Whrrrr! Whrrrr! Whrrrr!

I had a dream I was a sawing machine!
A wood saw was I.
I'd cut up lumber and I'd cut up logs
And watch the wood chips fly!
Zrh-zrh! Zrh-zrh...Zrh-zrh...Zrh-zrh

I had a dream I was a sewing machine!
A sewing machine was I.
I'd go up and down over and over again,
And watch the cloth stitch by!
Rzh-rzh! Rzh-rzh! Rzh-rzh! Rzh-rzh!

I had a dream I was a people machine!
A robot was I.
I'd move with a jerk doing all the hard work,
My batteries charged up high!
Clash! Bang! Click! Boing! Clash! Bang! Click! Boing!

I had a dream I was a driving machine!
A race car was I.
I'd step on the gas and get going so fast,
And watch all the cars go by.
Vvrrrooommmmm! Vvrrrooommmmm!

I had a dream I was a rowing machine!
A rowing machine was I.
I'd row all day long, helping muscles get strong.
And watch the fat go bye-bye!
Whrrrh...uhh...Whrrrh...uhh...Whrrrh...uhh...

I had a dream I was a popcorn machine!
A popcorn machine was I.
I'd get the oil hot until the corn popped.
Pop the corn to the sky!
Pop! pop-pop! Pop! pop-pop! Pop! pop-pop!

I had a dream I wasn't ANY machine!
I gave myself a rest.
And I thought, gee, I think I like being me!
Yes! That's what I like best!

Hello, My Name Is Joe

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Hello, my name is Joe
And I work in a button factory.
I've got a wife and a dog and a family.
One day my boss said, "Hey Joe, are you busy?
I said, "No, sir."
And he said, "Well push the button with your **right hand.**"

Repeat the verse substituting the bold type body part
(right hand) with a different body part.

- Left hand
- Right foot
- Left foot
- Head
- Tongue

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Explain to children that factories contain many simple machines.