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| **Hickory dickory dock,****The mouse ran up the clock,****The clock struck ONE****The mouse ran down,****Hickory dickory dock****Tick, tock, tick, tock.....****Hickory dickory dock,****The mouse ran up the clock,****The clock struck TWO****The mouse said BOO!****Hickory dickory dock****Tick, tock, tick, tock.....****Hickory dickory dock,****The mouse ran up the clock,****The clock struck THREE****The mouse went WHEEEEEE!****Hickory dickory dock****Tick, tock, tick, tock.....****Hickory dickory dock,****The mouse ran up the clock,****The clock struck FOUR****The mouse said NO MORE****Hickory dickory dock****Tick, tock, tick, tock.....*** This is a traditional nursery rhyme which many children will know well.
* It can be sung or chanted rhythmically.
* When you think your group is ready, have fun adding appropriate sounds to the rhyme.
* Have a small selection of percussion instruments to hand, in the middle of the circle of children. You should include a few shakers, castanets, a woodblock, something to chime eg. a small bell or chime bar, a xylophone or glockenspiel. Ask the children to help decide:

What would make a good sound for the clock chiming ‘one’?What could make the sound of tiny mice feet pattering up the clock?The clock ticking?Introduce the idea of pitch ie. when the mouse goes up someone could play the glockenspiel bars from low to high, then reverse it to come down. |