



Miss Mary Mack  
(Handclapping Game)

Miss Mary Mack Mack Mack  
All dressed in black, black, black  
With silver buttons, buttons, buttons  
All down her back, back, back.

She asked her mother, mother, mother  
For 50 cents, cents, cents  
To see the elephants, elephants, elephants  
Jump over the fence, fence, fence.

They jumped so high, high, high  
They reached the sky, sky, sky  
And they didn't come back, back, back  
'Til the 4th of July, ly, ly!

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### How to Play:

#### Version 1:

1. Cross arms in front of chest (Miss)
2. Touch your legs (Mare)
3. Clap own hands together (-ee)
4. Clap hands with partner three times as you sing the repeating words (Mack, Mack, Mack...etc.)
5. Repeat sequence to complete the rhyme.

#### Version 2:

1. Clap your hands, (Miss)
2. Cross your arms in front of your chest, (Mare)
3. Clap your hands again, (-ee)
4. Then clap your partner's hands three times as you sing the repeating words (Mack, Mack, Mack...etc.)
5. Repeat sequence to complete the rhyme.

#### Version 3:

1. Clap your own hands three times, (Miss Mar-y)
2. Clap hands with partner three times as you sing the repeating words (Mack, Mack, Mack...etc.)
3. Repeat sequence to complete the rhyme.

Version 4: Make up your own clapping version of the rhyme.

Don't worry if you don't get the hang of it right away ... you'll still have fun!

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uqiUIAjosdg>

<http://mylittlepencilcase.blogspot.com/2012/01/miss-mary-mack.html>

<http://www.kidsmusictown.com>

<http://funclapping.com/MissMary.php>

Miss Mary Mack is a Scottish folk song, and is also a patter song, often sung not only with a rapid to very rapid tempo but increasing toward the end. It is a hand-clapping game played by children in English-speaking countries and is known in various parts of the United States and in New Zealand. It has been called "the most common hand-clapping game in the English-speaking world". In the game, two children stand or sit opposite to each other, and clap hands in tune to a rhyming song.