Nima Naja

Suitable for age 9+



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Stick game:

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

Start with the drumsticks on the floor

Line One

Hold one drumstick in front and one to the side to begin

Beat one: Tap both sticks on the floor (one in front, one to the side)

Beat two: Click both sticks together (bringing the one at the side to tap the one in front)

Beat three: Tap both sticks on the floor Beat four: Tap both sticks together

Beats five to eight: tap the rhythm of the words on the floor with the sticks directly in front

Line Two

Beat one: As above in line one Beat two: As above in line two

Beat three: Place the sticks together on the floor in front

Beat four: Clap hands

Beats five to eight: Tap the rhythm of the words "Nima molokai" on the floor with hands either side of the sticks and on beat eight (the rest beat) pick up the sticks ready to continue

Lines Three and Four: Repeat lines one and two again but holding the stick to the other side for the opening line.

Second part of the song

Line Five:

Following the rhythm of the words

Beats one to four: Click the sticks together holding them in the air

Beat five to eight: Tap the floor with the sticks

Line Six:

Repeat actions as above for line five but on the final rest beat throw both sticks to pass into other hand

Lines seven and eight: Repeat lines five and six one more time.

This is a thought to be a Russian Folksong but apparently the text is "nonsense" text. The song can be found on the Kodály Hub - www.kodalyhub.com