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Animal Nursery Rhymes
for 2 voices and piano
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The Silly Billy Rabbit

A little furry rabbit had in her mind a doubt, If a - nimals loved children, so_

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thought she would find out. The first she asked was Mis - ter Ox, who said to her re - lief: Of course I love - them sil - ly bil - ly.

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don’t I give them beef? The don’t I give them beef? But Miss Cod - fish cried They catch me and they_

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put me on to boil, I DON’T like chil - dren, so I give them nice cod - li - ver oil!

put me on to boil, I DON’T like chil - dren, so I give them ni - ce cod - li - ver oil!
A pound, a penny, a pig-in-a-poke

A cow in a china shop basins sins are broke.
A moose and a mouse make much too many, so

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A pig-in-a-poke, a pound, a penny. A moose and a mouse make much too many, so

A pound, a penny, a pig-in-a-poke.

A mouse in a shop, much too many, so

A pound, a penny, a pig-in-a-poke.

A rook ran the ro-bin a-round and a-round. A pound, a penny, a pig-in-a-poke.
A year and a day

Easy going

A puppy, a chicken, a kid and a duckling.

A pig-gie, a lamb and a calf that was suckling.

All sailed away to a fur off bay. And when they came back in a year and a day, and the duckling a duck.

All sailed away to a fur off bay.

The kid was a goat.

That said chuck-a-chuck chuck and the puppy a dog and the pig-gie a hog.

Chicken a hen

The lamb was a sheep

The calf was a cow

But as

Who said 'twill be nice if we go away too

So we could keep on for ever a

Singing this song. A

After a while they had little ones too

They all had children before very long
A puppy, a chicken, a kid and a duckling.

A pig-gie, a lamb and a calf that was suckling.

All sailed away to a far off bay. And when they came back in a year and a day, and the duckling a duck all sailed away to a far off bay.

The kid was a goat the kid was a goat.

That said chuck-a-chuck chuck and the puppy a dog and the pig-gie a hog.

Chicken a hen the lamb was a sheep the calf was a cow.
Neddy he-haw

There once lived a donkey, name of Ned he

and of this donkey it is said

always laughed at what ever was said he haw he haw

he haw he haw

Once saw a penguin and laughed with glee he

The rummiest bird I ever did see he haw

he haw

haw he haw

haw!