



Hear the Cuckoo Sing

Lyrics: Aileen Lambert

Air: Traditional

Chorus

Cuckoo, cuckoo, cuckoo, cuckoo

Hear the cuckoo sing

Jack and Jill went up the hill,
They never came down - they're up there still

Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall,
But was he pushed or did he fall?

Little Bo Peep has lost her sheep,
If you can find, then you can keep

Do you know the Muffin Man?
He drives a great big purple van

Twinkle twinkle little star,
How did you get to be so far?

Two little dickie birds sit on a wall,
Sure why would you fly away at all

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This song was composed by Aileen as part of the Songs for Our Children Project in 2018. The chorus is a little song which renowned Wexford singer and songwriter Paddy Berry remembers singing during his schooldays, while Aileen created the verses by offering alternative endings to some well known traditional nursery rhymes. To hear the song sung through without the teaching and singing of traditional nursery rhymes (designed for young children to engage with) skip through to 11 mins.

To find out more about Aileen's singing see [facebook.com/aileenlamberttraditionalsinger](https://www.facebook.com/aileenlamberttraditionalsinger)

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