

Old Chang, the crab



A rhyme from China that can be used as a hand play.

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1. Cross fists at wrists, open and close thumbs and forefingers, put hand to ear.

2. Place one hand on top of the other with outer thumb and little finger stretched out. 3. Open and close forefingers and long fingers. 4. Do the same with one finger above the other. Lift one towards the mouth.



Old Mister Chang, I have often heard it said,
You wear a basket on your head;
You've two pairs of scissors to cut your meat,
And two pairs of chopsticks with which you eat.