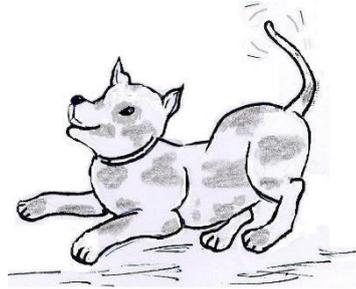


Groundhog

A wily fellow.

Published first in 'Thirty folk song settings' as 'Ground hog' with words by J.A. MacGillivray and set to an Appalachian folk tune; the tune was credited to Cecil Sharp's collection 'English folk songs from the Southern Appalachians': The song subsequently appeared in the 1980s on Thames Television's 'Seeing and doing' and in an anthology of the same name. The original Groundhog folk song is rather gruesome, about a family out hunting to kill and eat it and make things out of the skin. Certainly not children fare!

A ground - hog sits by his own front door, A ground - hog sits by his
own front — door, He sniffs the air, then he sniffs some more. *Ground - hog!*



A groundhog sits by his own front door,
A groundhog sits by his own front door,
He sniffs the air, then he sniffs some more *Groundhog!*

Along comes a great big snuffling dog... x2
He says "I'll catch that old groundhog" *Groundhog!*

Into his burrow the groundhog pops... x2
The dog says "I like groundhog chops" *Groundhog!*

The dog digs down with his paws and his snout... x2
He doesn't know there's another way out. *Groundhog!*

The groundhog sits by his own back door...x2
He laughs and laughs till his sides are sore. *Groundhog!*

