

# Five currant buns

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Learn the concept of 'one less' and the numbers to five while playing this shopping game. Substitute 'child' with the name of each youngster.

One child takes the role of the baker and six others that of the customer. Give each child a 1p to pay for a bun and place five buns in the shop.

Count with fingers. One child at a time approaches the baker and exchanges their 1p for a bun. Continue as before until the last verse where one child goes into the baker's shop to find there are no buns left. That child looks sad until another child offers to share their bun. Discuss how that might happen.

Musical score for the song 'Five currant buns'. The score is written in 4/4 time and consists of three staves. The lyrics are: 'Five currant buns in a baker's shop, Round and fat with the sugar on the top. A long came a child with a penny one day, Bought a currant bun and took it away.' The chords are: F, Dm, C7, Am, C, F, Am, F, F, Dm, C, F, C, F, Am, Bb, F.

1, 2, 3, 4, 5 Five currant buns in a baker's shop,  
Round and fat with the sugar on the top.  
Along came a child with a penny one day,  
Bought a currant bun and took it away.

1, 2, 3, 4 Four currant buns in a baker's shop,  
Round and fat with the sugar on the top.  
Along came a child with a penny one day,  
Bought a currant bun and took it away.

1, 2, 3 Three currant buns...  
1, 2 Two currant buns ...  
1 One currant buns ...

No currant buns in a baker's shop,  
Round and fat with the sugar on the top.  
Along came a child with a penny one day,  
There were no currant bun to take away.

