

Down in the jungle

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Adapt this song to include any geographical situation: forest, valley, river etc. Ask children what kind of animals are found in these places and suggest movements they might make: elephant waving a trunk, snake-like movement with arm, tiger prowling, monkey bouncing up and down with hands scratching armpits (see below).

Watch at: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DFj3iQvRVkc>

Creep around in time to the music looking around with hand above eyes.

Stand still and mime washing of clothes to one side then the other.

Open and close arms. Make boogie movements with arms and body – wiggle back and forth and from side to side. Creep around in time to the music looking around with hand above eyes.

Stand still and mime washing of clothes to one side then the other. Swing arm from head.



Down in the jungle where nobody knows,
I saw a crocodile a-washing his clothes,
With a rub-a-dub here and a rub-a-dub there,
That's the way he washes his clothes.

Snip! Snap! Boogie-woogie-woogie,
Snip, Snap! Boogie-woogie-woogie,
Snip, Snap! Boogie-woogie-woogie,
That's the way he washes his clothes.

Down at the billabong where nobody knows,
I saw a kangaroo a-washing her clothes,
With a rub-a-dub here and a rub-a-dub there,
That's the way she washes her clothes.

Hippety hop, boogie-woogie-woogie,
Hippety hop, boogie-woogie-woogie,
Hippety hop, boogie-woogie-woogie,
That's the way she washes her clothes.

Down in the jungle where nobody knows,
I saw an elephant a-washing his clothes,
With a rub-a-dub here and a rub-a-dub there,
That's the way he washes his clothes.

Trumpetty trump, boogie-woogie-woogie, etc.

More ideas

Snake: Slither, slide...

Tiger: Prowl, growl...

Monkey: Jimpety jumpety...