

Let Us Chase the Squirrel

American Folk Song

The image shows two staves of musical notation for the song 'Let Us Chase the Squirrel'. The first staff is in G major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. It contains four measures of music with lyrics: 'Let us chase the squir - rel, Up the hick - 'ry down the hick - 'ry,'. The second staff starts with a measure rest labeled '5' and continues with four more measures of music with lyrics: 'Let us chase the squir - rel, Up the hick - 'ry tree.'.

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Let us chase the squir - rel, Up the hick - 'ry tree.

Game:

Formation: Students stand in a circle with their hands cupped behind their back.

One student, the "squirrel", goes around the outside of the circle and on the last word of the song drops a nut in the hand of the closest person. The recipient of the nut tries to catch the "squirrel" before he/she can return to the empty space.