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The Old Grey Cats Are Sleeping

Here's This favorite dramatic play song is perfect for a wiggly day! Tell half of the children they are cats, and the other half are mice. Define an area for the "house," using a carpet, four chairs, or other physical objects. Instruct the cats to stay in the house. They follow the directions in the song, letting the mice creep in around them while they are asleep. When they wake up, they can chase the mice, but only as far as the "house" walls. Children will want to do this over and over, changing parts.

It's an especially simple song for guitar or autoharp (only two chords!), so be sure to print out the sheet music if you want to play along!

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- 1. The old gray cats are sleeping, sleeping, sleeping The old gray cats are sleeping, in the house.
- 2. The old gray cats are eating, eating, eating The old gray cats are eating, in the house.
- 3. The old gray cats are playing, playing, playing The old gray cats are playing, in the house.
- 4. The old gray cats are sleeping, sleeping, sleeping The old gray cats are sleeping, in the house.
- 5. The little mice are creeping, creeping, creeping The little mice are creeping, in the house.
- 6. .The little mice are nibbling, nibbling, nibbling The little mice are nibbling, in the house
- 7. The little mice are playing, playing, playing The little mice are playing, in the house.
- 8. The old gray cats are waking, waking, waking The old gray cats are waking, in the house



