

Punxsutawney Phil (Groundhog Day)

February 2nd is Groundhog Day, and every year the famous groundhog named Punxsutawney Phil predicts either six more weeks of winter or an early spring. The town of Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania celebrates with a festival of food and music. Children LOVE saying big words, so I've used Phil's name a lot in this song. Be sure to sing it slowly enough for your children to sing along!



Here's the story in case you don't know it.

Every year on February 2nd, Punxsutawney Phil comes out of his hold. If he sees his shadow, it means six more weeks of winter. If he doesn't, it means there will be an early spring. Since you can only see your shadow when there is light, the weather would have to be sunny. This is very confusing (you would think sun would mean spring). So I wrote this song to help children learn, and grownups remember!

Groundhog Day offers many topics for discussion! Shadows, seasons, groundhogs, and traditions. As always, my favorite website to go to for information and fun activities to use with my songs is www.EnchantedLearning.com. There you can find crafts, literacy activities, and more information.

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Punxsutawney Phil, Punxsutawney Phil
Come on out of your home on the hill
Tell us if you see your shadow then we'll have to sing
It's six more weeks of winter, not an early spring

Punxsutawney Phil, Punxsutawney Phil
Come on out of your home on the hill
If you don't see your shadow we'll be happy to sing
Bye, bye, winter, we'll have an early spring

You have to have sun to make a shadow
So we really hope you see a cloudy day
Although it might seem funny but if it's sunny
Then winter weather's gonna stay

Punxsutawney Phil, Punxsutawney Phil
Come on out of your home on the hill
We hope you don't see your shadow 'cause we want to sing