

## Africa Storytime

### Shake My Sillies Out

Gotta shake, shake, shake my sillies out  
Shake, shake, shake my sillies out  
Shake, shake, shake my sillies out  
And wiggle my waggles away.

Gotta clap, clap, clap my crazies out...  
Gotta jump, jump, jump my jiggles out...  
Gotta yawn, yawn, yawn my sleepies out...  
Gotta stretch, stretch, stretch my stretchies out  
Gotta shake, shake, shake my sillies out...

### Open Them, Shut Them

Open them, shut them  
Open them, shut them  
Give a little clap.  
Open them, shut them  
Open them, shut them  
Put them in your lap.

Creep them, creep them  
Creep them, creep them  
Right up to your chin.  
Open up your mouth  
But do not put them in.

Open them, shut them  
Open them, shut them  
Give a little clap.  
Open them, shut them  
Open them, shut them  
Put them in your lap.



### My Hands

*(Meda Ase “may-DAH-say” means thank you and  
nantew yiye “nan tee-yee-yah” means goodbye in  
the Twi language from Ghana)*

My hands say may-DAH-say (*hold up hands*)  
With a clap, clap, clap (*clap hands*)  
My feet say may-DAH-say (*point to feet*)  
With a tap tap tap. (*stamp feet*)  
Clap! Clap! Clap! (*clap hands*)  
Tap! Tap! Tap! (*stamp feet*)  
Turn myself around and bow (*turn and bow*)  
Nan-tee-yee-yah. (*wave goodbye*)



### Eensy Weensy Anansi

*(tune of Itsy Bitsy Spider, use same hand motions)*

Eensy, Weensy Anansi went up the waterspout  
Down came the rain and washed Anansi out  
Out came the sun and dried up all the rain  
And Eensy, Weensy Anansi went up the spout again.

### Row, Row, Row Your Boat

*(Tune of “Row Row Row Your Boat”)*

Beat, Beat, Beat the drum  
Rum, Pum, Pum, Pum, Pum.  
Listen to the sound it makes,  
Watch us have some fun.

Play, play, play the drum,  
Rum, Pum, Pum, Pum, Pum.  
Hear it talk and tell a tale,  
Listen everyone.

### If You’re Happy and You Know It

If you’re happy and you know it, clap your hands  
If you’re happy and you know it, clap your hands  
If you’re happy and you know it,  
And you really want to show it,  
If you’re happy and you know it, clap your hands

If you’re happy and you know it, stomp your feet  
If you’re happy and you know it, stomp your feet  
If you’re happy and you know it,  
And you really want to show it,  
If you’re happy and you know it, stomp your feet

If you’re happy and you know it, shout hooray—“Hooray!”  
If you’re happy and you know it, shout hooray—“Hooray!”  
If you’re happy and you know it,  
And you really want to show it,  
If you’re happy and you know it, shout hooray—“Hooray!”

If you’re happy and you know it, do all three.  
If you’re happy and you know it, do all three.  
If you’re happy and you know it,  
And you really want to show it,  
If you’re happy and you know it, do all three.