## Teacher's notes

## OLD MACDONALD HAS/ASHHHAD A HOUSE!

Language: house, a mouse, a dog, a bird, a fish, a cat; squeak, woof, cheep, pop, miaow Resources: Old Macdonald activity sheet, animal flashcards
a) Cut out the house and animal flashcards and stick onto card.
b) Ask your children where Old MacDonald lives/lived and the names of the different animals that live/lived on his farm.
c) Now show your children the house flashcard. Tell them that Old Macdonald no longer lives/lived on a farm and elicit where he lives/lived.
d) What animals does/did Old MacDonald have in his house? Ask your children for suggestions. What animals do they have in their houses? Does/Did Old MacDonald have one, too? (You could ask your children to prepare a list of pets in groups and then award each group a point for each pet that appears in the song.)
e) Now show the children each of the animal flashcards in turn and elicit the noise that each makes.
f) Drill the noises and the names of the animals.
(You may like to ask for volunteers to make the noises or do animal actions for the rest of the class to guess! )
g) Now hum the tune of Old MacDonald had a farm. Stop when you reach 'farm' and point to the house.
Encourage your children to add the word 'house' and
 to continue with 'A-E-I-O-U!' Continue humming and point to the house again and then the mouse. Elicit the name of the animal and the noise it makes, then hum and squeak in time with the original tune!
h) Continue in the same way with the other animals.
i) Now your children are ready for the whole song! Sing or chant 'Old MacDonald has/had a house' and invite your children to join in with you.
j) As an extension activity, your children might like to create a verse of their own, introducing another animal in their house.

## Old MacDonald has a house

Old Macdonald has a house a-e-i-o-u and in this house he has a mouse $a-e-i-0-u$ with a SQUEAK SQUEAK here and a SQUEAK SQUEAK there here a SQUEAK, there a SQUEAK, everywhere a SQUEAK SQUEAK Old Macdonald has a house a-e-i-o-u!


Old Macdonald has a house a-e-i-o-u and in this house he has a dog a-e-i-o-u with a WOOF WOOF here and a WOOF WOOF there here a WOOF, there a WOOF, everywhere a WOOF WOOF Old Macdonald has a house a-e-i-o-u!


Old Macdonald has a house a-e-i-o-u and in this house he has a bird a-e-i-o-u with a CHEEP CHEEP here and a CHEEP CHEEP there here a CHEEP, there a CHEEP, everywhere a CHEEP CHEEP Old Macdonald has a house a-e-i-o-u!


Old Macdonald has a house a-e-i-o-u and in this house he has a cat a-e-i-o-u with a MIAOW MIAOW here and a MIAOW MIAOW there here a MIAOW, there a MIAOW, everywhere a MIAOW MIAOW Old Macdonald has a house a-e-i-o-u!

Old Macdonald has a house a-e-i-o-u and in this house he has a fish a-e-i-o-u with a POP POP here and a POP POP there here a POP, there a POP everywhere a POP POP Old Macdonald has a house a-e-i-o-u!


## Old MacDonald had a house

Old Macdonald had a house a-e-i-o-u and in this house he had a mouse a-e-i-o-u with a SQUEAK SQUEAK here and a SQUEAK SQUEAK there here a SQUEAK, there a SQUEAK, everywhere a SQUEAK SQUEAK Old Macdonald had a house a-e-i-o-u!


Old Macdonald had a house a-e-i-o-u and in this house he had a dog a-e-i-o-u with a WOOF WOOF here and a WOOF WOOF there here a WOOF, there a WOOF, everywhere a WOOF WOOF Old Macdonald had a house a-e-i-o-u!


Old Macdonald had a house a-e-i-o-u and in this house he had a bird a-e-i-o-u with a CHEEP CHEEP here and a CHEEP CHEEP there here a CHEEP, there a CHEEP, everywhere a CHEEP CHEEP Old Macdonald had a house a-e-i-o-u!


Old Macdonald had a house a-e-i-o-u and in this house he had a cat a-e-i-o-u with a MIAOW MIAOW here and a MIAOW MIAOW there here a MIAOW, there a MIAOW, everywhere a MIAOW MIAOW Old Macdonald had a house a-e-i-o-u!

Old Macdonald had a house a-e-i-o-u and in this house he had a fish a-e-i-o-u with a POP POP here and a POP POP there here a POP, there a POP everywhere a POP POP Old Macdonald had a house a-e-i-o-u!



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