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## Singing Game COPLAND "I Bought Me a Cat"

### WRITE YOUR OWN VERSE



Although the title of the song is "I Bought Me a Cat," there are many other animals that are mentioned in the song. Can you remember what they are?

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This is the beginning section of the words to the song. Each group of words is called a verse. As you see, each verse gets longer and longer, adding a new animal as it repeats.

I bought me a cat, my cat pleased me,  
I fed my cat under yonder tree.  
My cat says "fiddle eye fee."

I bought me a duck, my duck pleased me,  
I fed my duck under yonder tree.  
My duck says, "Quaa, quaa,"  
My cat says "fiddle eye fee."

I bought me a goose, my goose pleased me,  
I fed my goose under yonder tree.  
My goose says, "Quaw, quaw,"  
My duck says, "Quaa, quaa,"  
My cat says "fiddle eye fee."



## WRITE YOUR OWN VERSE

Now, let's create your own arrangement of the song by writing new verses! Think about the rhythm of each line; how many syllables should the name of each animal have? What about the sound it makes?

Fill in (1) with one of your favorite animal, and (1\*) with the sound it makes. Then fill in (2) with another one of your favorite animals, and (2\*) with the sound that animal makes.

I bought me a (1) \_\_\_\_\_, my (1) \_\_\_\_\_ pleased me,

I fed my (1) \_\_\_\_\_ under yonder tree.

My (1) \_\_\_\_\_ says, "(1\*) \_\_\_\_\_,"

My goose says, "Quaw, quaw,"

My duck says, "Quaa, quaa,"

My cat says fiddle eye fee.

I bought me a (2) \_\_\_\_\_, my (2) \_\_\_\_\_ pleased me,

I fed my (2) \_\_\_\_\_ under yonder tree.

My (2) \_\_\_\_\_ says, "(2\*) \_\_\_\_\_,"

My (1) \_\_\_\_\_ says, "(1\*) \_\_\_\_\_,"

My goose says, "Quaw, quaw,"

My duck says, "Quaa, quaa,"

My cat says fiddle eye fee.

BONUS: Make up one more verse on your own, using the pattern above!