

# Old Mother Hen

Old Mother Hen sits still on her nest. Keeps her eggs warm beneath her warm breast. Cluck - ing, cluck - ing, cluck - ing a - way.  
 Hark! There's a sound she knows ver - y well. Some lit - tle chick is break - ing the shell. Pick - ing, pick - ing, pick - ing a - way.  
 Now they're all out, oh, see what a crowd! Old Mother Hen is hap - py and proud. Cluck - ing, cluck - ing, cluck - ing a - way.

## Fingerplay

**Verse 1:** Make a nest by cupping the left hand. Mother Hen is made with the right hand. Make a soft fist, leaving the pointer finger up, curving it slightly. Place Mother Hen in her nest. On each word "clucking," swing the pointer finger forward slightly.

**Verse 2:** (1st line) Cup your hand behind your ear, listening. (2nd and 3rd lines) Put your hand next to the child's ear, picking together the fingernails of your thumb and ring finger.

**Verse 3:** (1st line) Open your left hand, palm up. Dance around on it with the fingers of your right hand. (2nd line) Place Mother Hen back on her nest as in verse one. (3rd line) Cluck with Mother Hen as in verse one.