

# Knees Up Mother Brown

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 This will be in the forthcoming NEDM book/CD/DVD  
 I'm Growing Up - Music/Movement Activities for  
 Young Children scheduled for 2011 publication.

There was a girl from France who did-n't know how to dance; the  
 on - ly thing that she could do was knees up Mo-ther Brown, Oh,  
 knees up Mo - ther Brown, knees up Mo - ther Brown,  
 Knees up, knees up, never let the breeze up, Knees up Mother Brown. Oh,  
 clap-ping with one hand, clap-ping with one hand,  
 clap-ping, clap-ping ne - ver stop-ping clap-ping with one hand, Oh,  
 clap-ping with two hands, clap-ping with two hands,  
 clap-ping, clap-ping, ne - ver stop-ping clap-ping with two hands, Oh

There was a girl from France,  
 who didn't know how to dance;  
 The only thing that she could do was  
 Knees up Mother Brown,

## CHORUS

*Oh, knees up Mother Brown,  
 Knees up Mother Brown,  
 Knees up, knees up,  
 Never let the breeze up,  
 Knees up Mother Brown*

Oh, clapping with one hand,  
 Clapping with one hand,  
 Clapping, clapping, never slapping,  
 Clapping with one hand,  
 Oh, clapping with two hands,  
 Clapping with two hands,  
 Clapping, clapping, never slapping,  
 Clapping with two hands.

## CHORUS

Oh tapping with one toe,  
 Tapping with one tow,  
 Tapping, tapping, never slapping,  
 Tapping with one toe,  
 Oh, tapping with the other,  
 Tapping with the other,  
 Tapping, tapping, never slapping,  
 Tapping with the other

## CHORUS

Hopping on one foot . . .

## CHORUS

There was a girl from France (etc.)

## CHORUS

*INSTRUCTIONS: Children scattered around room, leader in front. Just sing first part; at "Knees up Mother Brown" all march in place, swinging arms. Do the movements suggested in lyrics, always going back to marching in place at "Knees up Mother Brown."*