

No. 2.—THE MULBERRY BUSH.

Here we go round the mul-berry bush, The mul-berry bush, the mul-berry bush,
 Key F. | d :d :d | d :- :m | s :- :m | d :- :d | r :- :r | r :- :d | t, :- :l | s, :- : :-

Here we go round the mul-berry bush, This cold and frost-y morn-ing.
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Form a ring. Join hands and dance round singing:—

Here we go round the mulberry bush,
 The mulberry bush, the mulberry bush,
 Here we go round the mulberry bush,
 This cold and frosty morning.

The ring breaks and stands still. Everybody sings, suiting the action to the words:—

This is the way we wash our hands,
 We wash our hands, we wash our hands,
 This is the way we wash our hands,
 This cold and frosty morning.

Then the ring forms again and, in strict time, dashes off into the dance, singing:—

Here we go round the mulberry bush, etc.

Again the ring breaks and the verses in turn become:—

This is the way we wash our face; brush our hair; etc.

There is room in this game for the whole sequence of domestic activities.

This game is in some districts known as "Here we go round the angry bush." In Scotland, "Here we go round the jing-a-ring" is the variant.