

Words for Suzuki Flute Repertoire

The first few songs can be played on the head joint or the flute prior to the beginning of the Book 1 repertoire

Hot Cross Buns

Hot cross buns, hot cross buns
One a penny, two a penny,
Hot cross buns

Frog in the Meadow

Frog in the meadow
Can't get him out
Take a little stick and stir him about
(Leap, leap, leap, snore, ribbit)

The Boatman

Oh the boatman dance
The boatman sing
The boatman up to everything
When the boatman come on shore
he spends his money and he
works for more

Many Rats

Many rats are in the straw bag
eating all the rice
If they ate it all it really
wouldn't be so nice

Merrily We Roll Along

Merrily we roll along
Roll along, roll along
Merrily we roll along
over the deep blue sea

Mary Had a Little Lamb

Mary had a little lamb,
little lamb, little lamb
Mary had a little lamb
Fleece was as white as snow

Fireflies

Come, come, come fireflies come
Yonder the water is bitter and sour
Here you'll find water as sweet as a flower
Come, come, come fireflies come

Hotaru Koi (Fireflies – Japanese)

Ho, Ho, Hotaru koi!
Achino mizuwa nigaizo
Kochino mizuwa amaizo
Ho, Ho, Hotaru koi!

Kagome, Kagome

Poor bird are you so sad
Sitting in your little bamboo cage
Will you sing a song for me
If I come and set you free
Now all together we all fall down
Who is that behind you can you guess?

Kagome, Kagome (Japanese)

Kagome, Kagome
Kagono nakano toriwa
Itsu itsu deyaru?
Yoakeno ban-ni,
Tsuru to kamega subbeta,
Ushirono shomen da-re?

Cuckoo (game)

Cuckoo, Cuckoo where are you going?
Cuckoo, Cuckoo where are you now?
I'm in the forest, I'm in the forest
Cuckoo, Cuckoo will you come too?

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Cuckoo (alt)

Cuckoo, Cuckoo sings from the forest
Cuckoo, Cuckoo sings from the wood
Let us be singing, let us be dancing
Springtime, springtime soon will be here

Lightly Row

Lightly row, lightly row
Gently up the scale we go
Smoothly gliding, smoothly gliding
Now we jump, arpeggio!
1, 2, 3, 4, 5 we row,
1, 2, 3, 4, 5 we row,
Smoothly gliding, smoothly gliding
Now again arpeggio!

Lightly Row version 2

Lightly row, lightly row
Gently down the stream we go
Birds are singing while they're winging
Down the stream and to and fro
See the fluffy clouds up there
Building castles in the air
Trees are swaying, children playing
As we dream and lightly row

Twinkle Variations

Variation 1:

Doctor/ Suzuki/ says never/ be lazy/
Just practice/ and practice/ until you/ go crazy
And practice/ and practice/ and practice/
and practice
And practice/ and practice/ and practice/
and practice
And Doctor/ Suzuki/ says never/ be lazy/
Just practice/ and practice/ until you/ go crazy/
ha!

(/ represents the rests)

Variation 2:

Piz-za-a-a, piz-za-a-a
Piz-za-a-a, etc.

Variation 3:

Mississippi Hot Dog
OR
Pepperoni Pizza
OR
Mushroom Olive Pizza
(there's lots of room for variation here)

Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star (Traditional Theme)

Twinkle, twinkle little star
How I wonder what you are
Up above the world so high
Like a diamond in the sky
Twinkle, twinkle little star
How I wonder what you are

Aunt Rhody

Oh I'm so happy in my rocking chair
Oh I'm so happy in my rocking chair
What is it like out? I don't really care.
What is it like out? I don't care.
Oh, I'm so happy in my rocking chair
Oh, I'm so happy in my rocking chair

Aunt Rhody

Go tell Aunt Rhody, go tell **Rhody**
Go tell Aunt Rhody, **old grey goose** is dead
One she's been saving, one she's saving
One she's been saving, makes a bed
Go tell Aunt Rhody, go tell **Rhody**
Go tell Aunt Rhody, **old grey goose** is dead