# Smart Aleck's Guide to Naughty Playground Songs and Children's Folklore

Playground songs and children's folklore are often seen as innocent and harmless, but many of them have a dark and naughty side. This guide will explore some of the most popular naughty playground songs and children's folklore, and provide some insight into their origins and meanings.



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### **Naughty Playground Songs**

Playground songs are often sung by children as a way to pass the time or to entertain themselves. However, many playground songs have lyrics that are surprisingly naughty or suggestive. Here are a few examples:

I'm a Little Teapot: This seemingly innocent song about a teapot has a hidden meaning that is not suitable for children. The lyrics "short and stout" refer to a man's penis, and the lyrics "here is my handle, here is my spout" refer to a man's testicles and penis.

- Ring Around the Rosie: This classic playground song is about the bubonic plague. The lyrics "ring around the rosie" refer to the red rash that was a symptom of the plague, and the lyrics "ashes, ashes" refer to the fact that plague victims were often burned to death.
- London Bridge Is Falling Down: This song is about the collapse of London Bridge in 1176. The lyrics "my fair lady" refer to the bridge, and the lyrics "London Bridge is falling down" refer to the fact that the bridge was destroyed.

#### **Children's Folklore**

Children's folklore is often passed down from generation to generation. It can include stories, songs, rhymes, and games. Some children's folklore is harmless, but some of it is quite naughty or suggestive. Here are a few examples:

- The Three Little Pigs: This classic children's story is about three pigs who build houses of straw, sticks, and bricks. The wolf blows down the first two houses, but he is unable to blow down the house of bricks. The moral of the story is that it is important to build a strong house. However, the story also has a naughty subtext. The wolf represents a predator, and the pigs represent prey. The story can be seen as a warning about the dangers of being too trusting.
- Little Red Riding Hood: This classic children's story is about a young girl who is sent to visit her grandmother. On her way, she meets a wolf who tricks her into going off the path. The wolf then eats the grandmother and disguises himself as her. When Little Red Riding

Hood arrives, she is eaten by the wolf. The moral of the story is that it is important to be careful of strangers. However, the story also has a naughty subtext. The wolf represents a predator, and Little Red Riding Hood represents a victim. The story can be seen as a warning about the dangers of being too trusting.

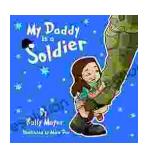
The Gingerbread Man: This classic children's story is about a gingerbread man who runs away from home. He is chased by a fox, a rabbit, and a bear. The gingerbread man is eventually eaten by a fox. The moral of the story is that it is important to be careful of strangers. However, the story also has a naughty subtext. The gingerbread man represents a child, and the animals represent predators. The story can be seen as a warning about the dangers of being too trusting.

Naughty playground songs and children's folklore are a fascinating part of our culture. They can be funny, cringeworthy, and even a little bit scary. However, it is important to remember that they are not always appropriate for children. Parents should be aware of the content of these songs and stories before allowing their children to listen to or read them.



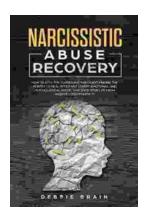
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