

# Buy A Penny Ginger

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Origin: Jamaican Game Song

Buy a pen - ny gin - ger, pung it in the mor - tar, Buy a pen - ny gin - ger, pung it in the r ak - a doo - kay.

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**Formation:** children stand in groups, around a table or crouching on the ground.

## Game:

- Players stack hands over each other by pinching the back of each hand.
- The lowest hand rests on a table or on the ground. The higher the stack of hands the better!
- During the lines 'Buy a penny ginger, pung it in the mortar', which is chanted loudly by all players, the players shrug shoulders to give the stack of hands a slight up and down movement.
- During 'Doonaka...' the movement is accelerated. At 'Dookay' each hand is quickly pulled away and pushed to the chest of the opposite player. The aim is to push the players down so that they fall in a heap.
- Players must regain their feet quickly and nimbly.

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Partner:

Scale: Tetratonic

Tones: s<sub>1</sub> t<sub>1</sub> (d) r

Melodic: d r d ; d s<sub>1</sub> d ; s<sub>1</sub> t<sub>1</sub> (d)

Prep: t<sub>1</sub>

Prac: t<sub>1</sub>

CSP: F - B

Age: Upper Primary - Lower Secondary

Rhythm: ; ; tie

Theme: Food and Drink

Form: Binary

Games: Circle

Song Type: