

The Penny and the Key

traditional singing game

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the song: "Down comes Jen - na, down comes she, she is hid-ing the pen-ny and the key." The second staff begins with a measure rest labeled '5', followed by a melody for the second line: "Who has the pen-ny? Who has the key? I have the pen-ny, and I have the key." Above the second staff, there is a note: "SOLO player with the penny. player with the key." indicating that different players sing different parts of the second line.

Down comes Jen - na, down comes she, she is hid-ing the pen-ny and the key.

5 *SOLO player with the penny. player with the key.*

Who has the pen-ny? Who has the key? I have the pen-ny, and I have the key.

One player takes a penny and a key.

Other players sit with eyes closed and palms of hands open (maybe behind their backs)

Players sing the song - while 'Jenna' puts a penny in one player's hands and the key in another player's hands.

ONLY the person with the penny sings the line "I have the penny"

ONLY the person with the key sings "and I have the key."

THEN - Jenna asks someone to SING the answer: "Jason has the Penny, and Sarah has the key." (using the tune from the last two phrases.)

If the singer is correct , she takes the penny and key and is the perons who 'comes down.'