

## 8. Scamper

Words by Martha Cheney and Hap Palmer

Music by Hap Palmer

Little mouse on quiet feet,  
Yah yah, yah  
Looks for something good to eat.  
Yah, yah, yah

While the old Tomcat is snoring,  
Little mouse will be exploring,  
Looking for a midnight treat,  
Yah, yah, yah

Scoots beneath the pantry door,  
Yah, yah, yah  
Knocks a bottle to the floor,  
Yah, yah, yah

Old Tom wakes and hears the clatter,  
Runs to see what is the matter,  
Mouse don't wait a second more,  
Yah, yah, yah

Scamper, scamper little mouse.  
Scamper, scamper to your house.  
Down the hall and through the wall,  
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Scamper, scamper, scamper,  
scamper, Scamper, scamper, hey!



Painting by Kayla

*This is a fun party song that can accompany a lively game of tag.*

- One person plays the role of the cat.
- The cat lies down on the floor in the center of the room and pretends to be asleep.
- Everyone else pretends to be a mouse.
- The mice move around quietly looking for food and teasing the cat by singing "Yah, yah, yah."
- Both the cat and the mouse must move on hands and feet at all times.
- On the line "Old Tom wakes and hears the clatter,"- the cat wakes up and tries to catch the mice.
- When a mouse is touched it sits down and stops moving.
- Everyone freezes in place when the music ends