

# Hunt the Cows

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in NEDM's *Down in the Valley*

Wake up you slee - py - head and go and get the cat - tle,  
Wake up you slee - py - head and go and get the cows.  
*slower*  
The cows are lost, the sun is warm,  
I think I'll rest, 'til they come home.

The musical score consists of four staves of music. The first two staves are in common time (C) and contain the lyrics 'Wake up you slee - py - head and go and get the cat - tle,' and 'Wake up you slee - py - head and go and get the cows.' The third and fourth staves are in 3/4 time and contain the lyrics 'The cows are lost, the sun is warm,' and 'I think I'll rest, 'til they come home.' The third staff begins with the instruction 'slower'.

**Wake up you sleepy head...**  
Jump up and down like a scolding mother.

**The cows are** (turn around shading eyes as if looking for the cows.)  
**lost** (Down on one knee)  
**The sun is warm** (Down on the other knee)  
**I think I'll rest** (Down on one elbow)  
**Till they come home.** (Down on both elbows and go to sleep.)

Repeat ad infinitum