

## **Mennonite Children's Rhyme**

Buhler, Kansas

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Schuckel, schuckel, scheija  
Oostre äät wie Eija  
Pingste äät wie wittet Broot  
Schoaw wie nich  
Dann woa wie groot

Rock-a-bye, rock-a-bye  
At Easter we eat eggs  
At Pentecost we eat white bread  
If we do not starve (die)  
We will grow up (get big)

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