

# Five Cackling Witches



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Sung to traditional tune for (five currant buns )  
Sheet music link...

5 Cackling witches gathered round a bowl  
hocus pocus crocus spell  
along came..... (child's name)  
with a big wooden spoon  
stirred the fizzy mixture  
and wished for a .....?

(ask the children to think of a rhyming word or just a wish!)

## TO MAKE UP...

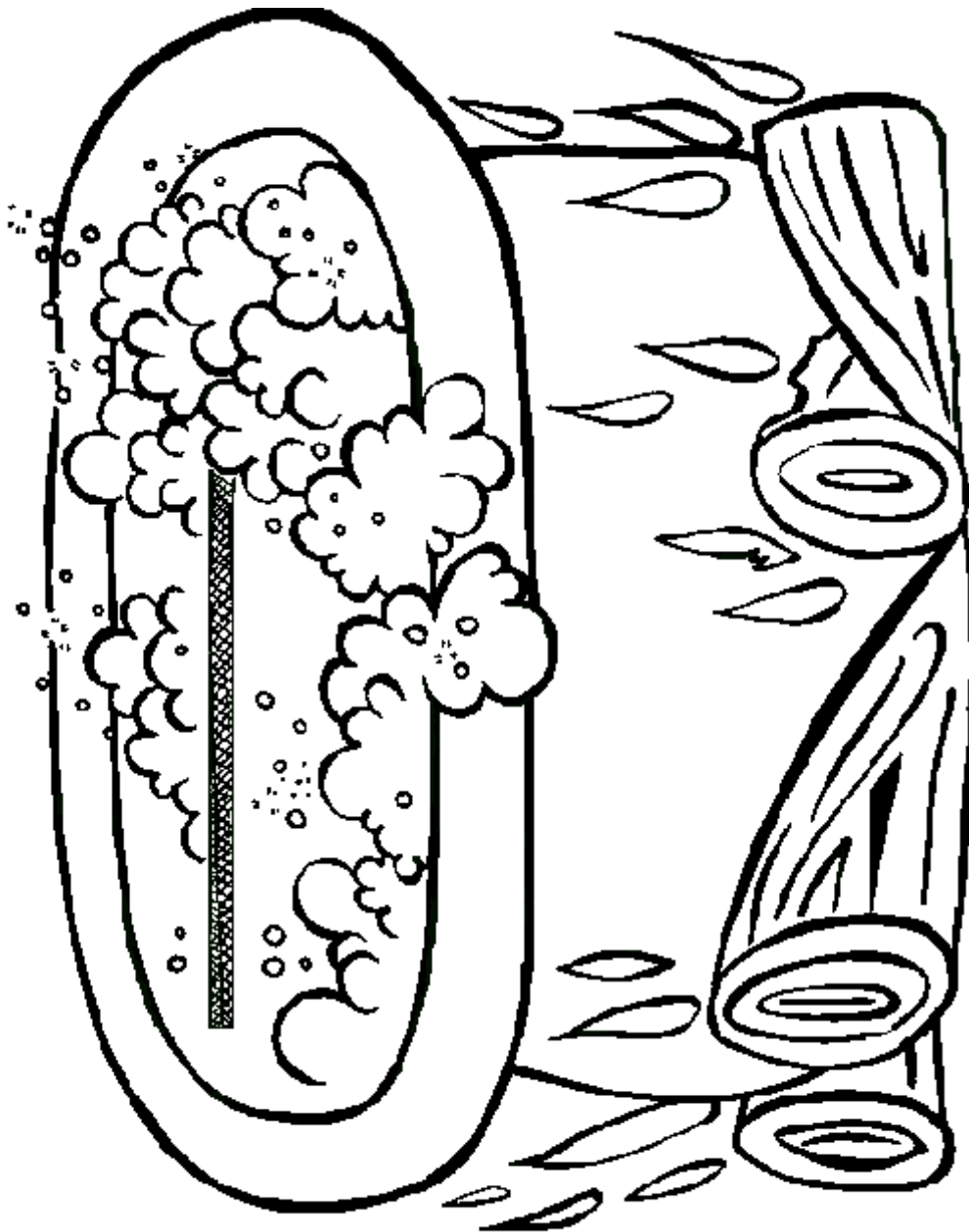
- Print the background sheet, the 5 witches and 5 spoons  
To count to or back from 10 – print out as many witches and spoons as you wish.  
Just amend the rhyme as necessary.
- On the cauldron/background sheet, cut out the black hatched area so that the spoons can slot in and 'really' stir the mixture!
- Laminate the pieces for durability!
- To make up the spoons and removable witches. Glue or staple pieces of Velcro (hook and loop) to the back of the witches, spoons and cauldron background sheet. OR use sticky tac (this may however go missing during play !!!)

## TO PLAY....

- Pass out the spoons to individual children before beginning the rhyme. Have a piece of sticky tac attached to the back of each one.
- After you have said the rhyme together allow the 'named' child to approach the bowl ...pretend to stir the fizzy mixture and then stick their spoon to the bowl as they make a wish.
- Remove a witch and then amend the rhyme to ' 4 cackling witches gathered round a bowl', then 3, 2, 1 etc.







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