

# Good-bye Cadence

Grades

K-6

**Materials  
needed:**

none

**Skills  
reinforced:**

keeping rhythm,  
reading

**Send students off on a high note** with this rousing call-and-response chant.

Leader: *I don't know but I've been told*

Group: *I don't know but I've been told*

Leader: *This school day is about to fold*

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Leader: *We worked and played our best all day*

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Leader: *But now it's time for us to say*

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Leader: *Sound off*

Group: *Good-bye*

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Group: *School friends*

Leader: *Bring it on down now* (whisper the rest of the chant)

Group: *Good-bye, school friends*

All: *Bye, bye!*

## TIP

Post the words of the chant so students can refer to them if needed.

### Variation

Instead of “school friends” insert any two-syllable name for the group, such as “first grade,” “classmates,” or “readers.” Or ask your students for suggestions!

