

CLEAN GENE™



Once Upon A CLEAN GENE

Objective

CLEAN GENE tells the rhyming tale to help children identify times when hand hygiene is a good habit to practice.

Materials Required

“CLEAN GENE” poem

CLEAN GENE Says:

Read the poem.

Follow up with questions about where CLEAN GENE picked up germs.

Review proper hand hygiene.



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Good and Dirty CLEAN GENE

When CLEAN GENE's school work was all done
He decided he would have some fun;
And since it was a sunny day,
He stepped outside to run and play.
While walking down a nature trail,
He saw a rather large brown snail;
He watched the snail, then picked it up,
And since he didn't bring a cup,
He kept the snail right in his hand
Which now was full of slime and sand.
"This snail will be an awesome pet,"
Thought CLEAN GENE as he walked, "and yet,
I think another pet could be
More than twice the fun for me!"
So CLEAN GENE dropped down to the ground,
And ran his fingers all around.
He felt a creature soft and wet...
("Now this is the most awesome pet!")
He tugged and pulled, though it did
squirm,
Until his hand contained a worm!
"This really is my lucky day!
I'll ask my mom if they can stay!"
So CLEAN GENE skipped back to his home;
His mom was on the telephone.
Imagine his surprised reaction,
As CLEAN GENE, full of satisfaction,
Held out these pets for mom to view,
"CLEAN GENE, CLEAN GENE! Look at you!
Get to the bathroom! Run now, quick!

Clean those hands; they'll make you sick!
Get some soap, and then be wiser —
Use instant hand sanitizer!"
CLEAN GENE – after playing some --
Heard some rumbling in his tum.
What he needed was a snack!
So then he planned out his attack:
Mounds of whipped cream, marshmallow
goo, Peanut butter and buttermilk too,
Canned fuzzy pickles without a label,
He stacked each on the kitchen table!
Eat it all? He had his doubts,
So he asked Mom to help her out!
Imagine now, her shocked reaction
As CLEAN GENE, full of satisfaction,
Asked her if she'd like some lunch
Since there's enough for two to munch!
She had a fit, I must confess,
"CLEAN GENE! What an awful mess!
Get to the bathroom! Run now, quick!
Clean those hands, they'll make you sick!
Get some soap, and then be wiser —
Use instant hand sanitizer!"
CLEAN GENE learned — getting dirty's okay...Because
now he knows the proper way
To finish playing is getting clean
Through practicing good hand hygiene.

