

Songwords and Extension Activities

Props Needed: An instrument each A scarf to wave

1. Merry Music Go Round

(Tune of: Pop goes the weasel) Merry, Merry Music Go Round Merry, Merry Music Sing and dance and play your sound Let's make some music!

Action:

Clap your hands in time to the music, keeping a steady pulse.

2. Wave Hello

Wave Hello –Hello! Wave Hello –Hello! Wave Hello –Hello! Wave Hello everybody –Hello!

3. Open, Shut Them

Open, shut them, open shut them Give a little clap – Clap! Open shut them, open shut them, Lay them on your lap.

Walk them, walk them, walk them, walk them Right up to your chin Open up your little mouth But, do not let them in! Hide them all away!

Open, shut them, open shut them Give a little shrug Open shut them, open shut them, Give yourself a hug.

Action:

Copy the actions on the video.

Hello all the boys – Hello! Hello all the girls – Hello! Hello everyone – Hello! Hello everyone – Hello!

(open and shut hands) (clap hands) (open and shut hands) (place them on your lap)

(walk fingers up to your chin) (tap your chin) (open your mouth) (shaking your head, hide hands behind back)

(open and shut arms) (shrug your shoulders) (open and shut arms) (hug yourself)

Action Song: Standing with scarves

4. Peekaboo

Can you play at Peekaboo? Boo! I can play at Peekaboo – Boo! Are you there? Yes I am Are you there? Yes I am Peeka peeka peeka peeka boo!

Action:

Everybody hide behind your scarves, and pop out on the 'yes I am' and 'boo'. See if the children can pop out at the right time when we sing faster too.

Extension Activity:

Sing this as a call and response song, so the leader (staff or confident child) sings up to 'are you there?' with children responding 'yes I am' by themselves. If they are very able/confident, ask them to sing it, with adults responding. Alternatively they can play this game in pairs, singing to each other.

5. Scarf Hokey Cokey

You wave your scarf up high Your scarf down low Up high, down low In and out you go You wave it to the left And you wave it to the right Then round and round you go

Where are the children hiding? Boo! Where are the children hiding? Boo! Where are the children hiding? Boo! Peekaboo, I've found you! (wave up high)
(wave down low)
(wave up and down)
(wave in front of and behind you)
(wave to the left)
(wave to the right)
(turn around)

(hide and pop out on the boo)

Action:

Everybody copy the actions on the video. NB the waving right and left on the video will mirror the children's right/left.

Instruments

6. Twinkle Twinkle Christmas Star

Twinkle, twinkle, Christmas star How I wonder what you are Up above the world so high Like a diamond in the sky

Twinkle, twinkle, Christmas star How I wonder what you are

Action:

Play your instruments and sing the song together.

7. Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer

Rudolph the red nosed reindeer Had a very shiny nose And if you ever saw him You would even say it glows All of the other reindeer Used to laugh and call him names They never let poor Rudolph Join in any reindeer games

Then one foggy Christmas eve Santa came to say 'Rudolph with your nose so bright Won't you guide my sleigh tonight?' Then all the reindeer loved him And they shouted out with glee Rudolph the red nosed reindeer You'll go down in history!

Action:

Everybody play your instruments and sing the song together.

Action Song: Standing Up

8. Goldilocks and the Three Bears

The 3 bears made some porridge The 3 bears made some porridge The 3 bears made some porridge And then went for a walk

V2: ...Goldilocks crept in....and she ate the porridge up!V3: ...She sat in all the chairs....and the tiny one went snap!snap)

V4: ...Upstairs she found a bed...and soon fell fast asleep V5:...The bears they found a big mess...and the porridge was all gone

V6: ... They marched right up the stairs....and Goldilocks woke up

V7: ...She said that she was sorry...and ran far far away

(pretend to stir porridge) (pretend to stir porridge) (pretend to stir porridge) (pretend to walk)

(creep and then pretend to eat the porridge) (pretend to sit in the chair then make a

(pretend to sleep – quietly) (pretend to open the door and find a mess)

(pretend to march (grumpily) up stairs) (pretend to walk and scream) (pretend to say sorry then run on the spot)

Action:

Everybody listen to the story and join in with singing the words and actions. There are lots of opportunities to change dynamic (volume) and some change tempo (speed), so encourage the children to listen out for these.

Also, talk around the story and explore the different moods of the different parts of the story e.g. how does Goldilocks feel when she creeps in the house? Why is she creeping?

Extension Activity:

Can the children use the same tune and format to create a new story song? Could they do this with support from a favourite story book?

Instruments

9. Jingle Bells

Jingle bells, jingle bells Jingle all the way Oh what fun it is to ride on a one horse open sleigh Hey! Jingle bells, jingle bells Jingle all the way Oh what fun it is to ride on a one horse open sleigh

Dashing through the snow On a one horse open sleigh O'er the fields we go Laughing all the way Bells on bobtails ring They're making spirits bright What fun it is to ride and sing a sleighing song tonight, oh!

Jingle bells, jingle bells Jingle all the way Oh what fun it is to ride on a one horse open sleigh Hey! Jingle bells, jingle bells Jingle all the way Oh what fun it is to ride on a one horse open sleigh

Action:

Everybody play your instruments and sing the song together.

10. We Wish You A Merry Christmas

We wish you a Merry Christmas We wish you a Merry Christmas We wish you a Merry Christmas And a Happy New Year Glad tidings we bring

To you and your kin We wish you a Merry Christmas And a Happy New Year

V2: ...we'll all play a little quietly....to spread some good cheer
V3: ...we'll all play a little loudly....to spread some good cheer
V4:...we'll all play a little slowly....to spread some good cheer
V5:...we'll all play a little quickly....to spread some good cheer

Action:

Join in with the actions on the video.

11. Lets Sing Bye Bye

Let's sing bye bye everybody Let's sing bye bye Let's sing bye bye everybody Let's sing bye bye