

Music and Phonological Awareness Activities

Activity (Song/Rhyme)	Musical Skills	Phonological Awareness / Literacy Skills	Source	Resources
Have you got your speaking /singing/loud/quiet/thinking voice? Playground slide	Differentiate between and speaking and singing voice Experiment with the voice and create different sounds	Voice control Internalising		Flashcards Finger puppet
Hello, what's your name?	Sing individually Sing with some understanding of pitch	Listening Call and response Voice control	NYCoS <i>Singing Games & Rhymes for Early Years</i>	Cone puppet
Copy Cat	Keep the beat with actions Sing with some understanding of pitch	Rhyme Awareness Vocabulary	NYCoS <i>Singing Games & Rhymes for Early Years</i>	Cat puppet
Clap Your Hands	Keep the beat with actions Sing with some understanding of pitch	Vocabulary	NYCoS <i>Singing Games & Rhymes for Early Years</i>	Claves x1
Touch Your Shoulders	Keep the beat with actions Sing with some understanding of pitch Sing/chant part of a song/rhyme internally	Rhyme Awareness Internalising	NYCoS <i>Singing Games & Rhymes for Early Years</i>	
Cuckoo, where are you?	Sing individually Sing with some understanding of pitch	Listening Rhyme Awareness	NYCoS <i>Singing Games & Rhymes for Early Years</i>	
Here Sits a Mousie	Keep the beat with actions Sing with some understanding of pitch Recognise sounds of classroom instruments	Listening Rhyme Awareness	NYCoS <i>Singing Games & Rhymes for Early Years</i>	Bells
I Hear Music	Sing with some understanding of pitch Recognise sounds of classroom instruments Develop basic techniques for playing classroom instruments	Auditory Discrimination Rhyme Awareness	<i>Singing Phonics 1</i>	Range of instruments shake, tap, ting, boom cards
Ready, Steady, Stop	Sing with some understanding of pitch Recognise sounds of classroom instruments Develop basic techniques for playing classroom	Auditory Discrimination	<i>Singing Phonics 1</i>	1 instrument each e.g. egg shaker, claves.

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	instruments Play at a faster/slower tempo Play with louder/quieter dynamics			
See-saw Up and Down	Sing with some understanding of pitch Keep the beat with actions	Auditory Discrimination	NYCoS <i>Singing Games & Rhymes for Early Years</i>	Lycra/parachute Teddy/puppet
Jack in the box	Sing with some understanding of pitch Sing/chant part of a song/rhyme internally Sing at a faster/slower tempo Sing with louder/quieter dynamics	Auditory Discrimination Internalising	NYCoS <i>Singing Games & Rhymes for Early Years</i>	Flashcards Cone puppet
Snail, Snail Mouse, Mouse	Keep the beat with actions Walk the beat Sing at a faster/slower tempo Sing with some understanding of pitch	Auditory Discrimination	NYCoS <i>Singing Games & Rhymes for Early Years</i>	Flashcards Snail puppet Mouse puppet
Engine Engine	Walk the beat Chant at a faster/slower tempo	Rhyme Awareness Syllabic Awareness	NYCoS <i>Singing Games & Rhymes for Early Years</i>	Flashcards Drum
Rain is Falling Down	Walk the beat Sing with some understanding of pitch Sing/chant part of a song/rhyme internally	Listening Internalising	NYCoS <i>Singing Games & Rhymes for Early Years</i>	Claves
I Went Up An Apple Tree	Keep the beat with actions Tap the rhythm of a known song/rhyme	Rhyme Awareness Syllabic Awareness	NYCoS <i>Singing Games & Rhymes for Early Years</i>	Claves
Buster Buster	Keep the beat with actions Tap the rhythm of a known song/rhyme Sing/chant part of a song/rhyme internally	Rhyme Awareness Syllabic Awareness	NYCoS <i>Singing Games & Rhymes for Early Years</i>	Claves
Cobbler Cobbler	Keep the beat with actions Tap the rhythm of a known song/rhyme	Rhyme Awareness	NYCoS <i>Singing Games & Rhymes for Early Years</i>	Claves
Pease Pudding Hot	Keep the beat with actions Sing with some understanding of pitch	Rhyme Awareness Alliteration Awareness Internalising	NYCoS <i>Singing Games & Rhymes for Early Years</i>	

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Let's Take a Walk	Walk the beat Sing with some understanding of pitch	Rhyme Awareness Alliteration Awareness	NYCoS <i>Singing Games & Rhymes for Early Years</i>	Pictures/props Floor spot Claves
Pass the Hat	Keep the beat with actions Sing with some understanding of pitch	Rhyme Awareness Alliteration Awareness	<i>Singing Phonics 2</i>	Hat Pictures/props

Songs for structuring a session:

- Hello Everyone
- Welcome Everybody
- Make a Circle
- It's Time to Put the Instruments Away (*Sound Before Symbol*, Maria Kay)
- Goodbye Everyone
- Shalalalalalala Cheerio