Rainforest Songs

From Around The World

Kaeru

- This is a traditional song about the tree frogs which live in the temperate rainforests of Japan.
- The words in the last two lines imitate the croaking sound of the frog
- Have a go at making your own rainforests sounds along with the music track after you have sung the song though twice. You could use your voice, body percussion or some homemade musical instruments to shake, tap, scrape and ting.

Kaeru no uta ga. (Ka-e-roo no oo-ta ga) Kikoete kuru yo. (Kee-ko-ay-tay koo-roo yo) Gwa gwa gwa gwa Gero gero gero gero gwa gwa gwa



Si Si Si

- This song is from the Katanga province in Southern Congo
- The words mean "By the foot of the pineapple tree, Yaku ladles a banana into his Aunt's red hat."
- > You will hear African drums in the sing-along track.
- Listen out for the low notes on the double bass which comes in on the second time through the song

Si si si si dolada Yaku sine ladu banaha

(See see see see do-la-da) (Ya-koo see-nay la-doo ba-na-ha)

Banaha XX banaha XX Yaku sine ladu banaha XX

X=clap



Zum Zum Zum

- This is a song from Brazil, sung in Portugese.
- The song describes someone who is performing the traditional martial art of Capoiera - this is the "capoeirista"
- The capoerista hears the buzzing of a wasp "zum zum" and wants to find the wasp and knock it down dead.

Song words:

Translation:

Zum zum zum, capoeira mata um. X4 Ondeteim marimbondo, y zum zum zum. X4 O ay, o ay ey, ciero ver bater, ciero ver cair. X4

buzz, buzz, buzz, capoeira wants onewhere is the wasp? Buzz buzz buzzO ay, o ay ey, I want to see a hit,I want to see a kill