



Song Cube

Episode 48

Introduction

Listening to and singing songs help build phonological awareness. Often each syllable of a word in a song connects to a note. Many songs and rhymes have rhyming words. Both pieces help children hear the individual parts of a word which help promote reading and language.

Toss both cubes to see which song and movement will go together. Sing the song and demonstrate the beat according to what was rolled. Sing the song slow at first to help child discover the beat. Adjust the tempo of the song as child gets used to the movements and rhythm. You can speed up or slow down the song to make the activity more interactive.



Supplies

- 2 Cube shaped tissue box
- Construction paper
- Light-weight cardboard
- Packing tape
- Scissors
- Template
- Crafts sticks
- Egg Shakers
- Newspaper (optional)

Instructions

1. Fill the tissue box with crumpled newspaper. This is optional. The newspaper will help support the side of the box and make it sturdier.
2. Cut a piece of light-weight cardboard the same dimensions as the side with the opening on the tissue box. You can use an old cereal box.
3. Wrap the tissue box using construction paper and tape.
4. Cut out song cards from template and glue one card on each side of the box.
5. Repeat steps 1-3 for the second tissue box.
6. Cut out movement cards from template and glue a card on each side of the second box.
7. Cover each side of the box with packing tape. This will "laminates" the entire box, making it more durable.

More Resources

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**Clapping
Hands**

**Tapping
on Legs**

**Egg
Shakers**

**Stomping
Your Feet**

**Tapping
Sticks**

Dancing

**Wheels
on the Bus**

**London
Bridge**

**Head and
Shoulders**

**Itsy Bitsy
Spider**

**Twinkle,
Twinkle**

**Row your
Boat**

Wheels on the Bus

The wheels on the bus go
Round and round
Round and round, round and round
The wheels on the bus go
Round and round
All through the town

The wipers on the bus go
Swish, swish, swish
Swish, swish, swish, swish, swish, swish
The wipers on the bus go
Swish, swish, swish
All through the town

Head and Shoulders

Head and shoulders, knees and toes
Knees and toes, knees and toes
Head and shoulders, knees and toes
Eyes, ears, mouth and noes

Twinkle, Twinkle

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

London Bridge

London Bridge is falling down
Falling down, falling down
London Bridge is falling down
My sweet baby

So come and take a walk around,
Walk around, walk around
Come and take a walk around
My sweet baby

Itsy Bitsy Spider

The itsy bitsy spider
climbed up the water spout
Down came the rain
and washed the spider out
Out came the sun
and dried up all the rain
And the itsy bitsy spider
climbed up the spout again

Row your Boat

Row, row, row your boat
Gently down the stream
Merrily, merrily, merrily, merrily
Life is but a dream