

## September - Week 1:

### Musical Concepts:

- \* review how notes are named
- \* beat
- \* rhythm reading ♩ ○ ♪ ♫
- \* tempo terms

### New Songs:

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| 1. Mama Don't Allow CD1:1-2    | <b>Concept:</b><br>s,l, drm, ♫♫ ♫♫♫ |
| 2. Concentration CD1:3         | s m d, beat                         |
| 3. Little Tommy Tinker CD1:4-5 | d m s d', round, ♪ ♫ ♪ ○            |

### General Classroom Music Lesson:

#### Song #1. Mama Don't Allow CD1:1-2

**Teaching Purpose/Suggestions:** This song was chosen as the opening song of the Musicplay 5 program because it is fun and encourages the students to sing with energy and enthusiasm. Add the actions as suggested by the words of the song. Encourage the students to be enthusiastic. If they are singing with energy, it will help them to become in-tune singers. Later, substitute unpitched rhythm instruments for the body percussion that is suggested in the song. If you don't have instruments, use found sounds - desk tops, rulers, etc. In the student books, any notes that are included in a frame are meant to be read by the students, or if you don't have student books, to be read to the students from the teacher's guide. These notes include important concepts or information about a song. Teach the song using the rote process. In the teacher guide, rote songs are noted above the upper right hand corner of the music. (1, 2)

#### Rote Process:

1. The teacher sings the entire song for the students. (or plays it on the CD)
2. The teacher sings each phrase in turn to the students and the students echo. If there are any inaccuracies in pitch or rhythm, repeat. If the teacher cannot sing accurately, play a phrase on the CD and pause, and then have the students echo.
3. The teacher sings two phrases to the students. The students echo two phrases. Continue until the entire song has been sung. If there are any inaccuracies in pitch or rhythm, repeat.
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**Note to the teacher:** There is insufficient space to include all teaching notes for each song in the weekly lesson outline. Be sure to see the suggestions that follow each song, because additional suggestions for the use of each song are given.

#### Song #2. Concentration CD1:3

**Teaching Purpose/Suggestions:** Teach the song by rote, or if you are familiar with solfege, by singing the melody using solfa. Play the game as per the directions in the teacher guide. This game is included to help you learn the names of the students in your music class. Music specialists can teach up to 700 students per week and games like this help the teacher learn the names quickly.

Musically, this game is played to practice keeping a steady beat. Have the students keep the beat by tapping one finger in the palm of their other hand. This gives them the feel of the beat without being so noisy that it is louder than the singing. (1)

Each time someone goes out, increase the speed, or the tempo, of the singing. Review tempo terms. These terms are given on page 14 of the student book.

**How Notes are Named:** An explanation of how notes are named using letter names is given on page 3 of the student book. Read the information with the students, and practice naming notes using the hand staff and/or the floor staff as explained in the teacher notes that follow.

#### Song #3. Little Tommy Tinker CD1:4-5

**Teaching Purpose/Suggestions:** This is an easy four part round that provides great practice singing in parts. Explain that the song comes from a time when homes were heated by building a fire in an open fireplace. If someone wanted to warm up, they would go closer to the fire. A "clinker" was a hot coal that had rolled out of the fire.

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#### Kodaly Extension:

1. Mama Don't Allow
2. Concentration
3. Little Tommy Tinker

#### Concept:

- s,l, drm
- d m s
- d m s d'

Use these songs to review the solfa notes and the placement of the notes on the staff.

#### Orff Extension:

Orff arrangements are given in "The Orff Source" for both "Concentration" (Orff #36) and "Little Tommy Tinker" (Orff#59).

The arrangements are quite easy for Grade 5, so they will provide material for review of the proper playing techniques.

**What if's and How to do's** are for the music specialist. (The classroom teacher establishes routines long before the first music class.) Outline the music room procedures on the first day and establish routines. If students don't adhere to your guidelines, have them practice the proper procedure until they do it correctly. For example: If you want the students to wait quietly in the hallway until the class in your room leaves, practice that skill until they are competent.

# 1. Mama Don't Allow

CD1: 1-2



Traditional

Ma-ma don't low no sing-in' round here. Ma-ma don't low no sing-in' round here.

here. Well we don't care what Ma-ma don't low, gon-na

sing our heads off an-y-how. Ma-ma don't low no sing-in' round here.

2. Mama don't 'low no hand clappin' 'round here....
3. Mama don't 'low no finger snappin' 'round here....
4. Mama don't 'low no pat, clap, snappin' 'round here...

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**Playing:** When the song is known, add the body percussion - hand claps, finger snaps, patting thighs. Later, substitute rhythm instruments for these. eg. hand drums for hand claps; triangles for finger snaps; rhythm sticks for patting thighs. Invite the students to improvise additional rhythms on a variety of unpitched percussion instruments. (2, 3)

**Music Reading:** Tone set: s,l,drm Rhythms:

Although this song is meant to be taught by rote, there are elements of the song that the students can read. When they have reviewed the rhythms that were taught in Grade 4, they could come back to this song and read the rhythms. The tone set of the song is pentatonic and could be used to review those notes if they are familiar to the students. (5)

**Standards:** 1, 2, 3, 5

Welcome to Musicplay! In your music classes, you're allowed to sing, clap your hands, snap your fingers, play instruments, play music games, listen to music and learn about music. Why don't you start with a music game that will help you to remember the names of everyone in your class, while you sing and keep a beat. Every time someone goes out, try the game a little bit faster - then start over so everyone can play!

## 2. Concentration

CD1: 3



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**Game Directions:** All begin by singing the first part of the song. After the line, “When you hear your name, the game begins!” the teacher sings her own name, followed by a student’s name. The student continues the game by singing his own name followed by a classmate’s name. The classmate sings his own name, followed by a different classmate’s name. Eliminate those who don’t sing on the beat, until there are only a few left. Practice many times before beginning the elimination part of this game.

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Each time someone goes out increase the speed, or tempo, of the singing. Review tempo terms. These terms are given on page 5 of the student book.

adagio	slow
lento	slowly
largo	very slow and broad
andante	slow, at a walking pace
moderato	moderate pace
allegro	lively and quick
vivace	fast and lively
presto	very quick
prestissimo	as quick as possible

Play this game again in lesson two. This is a good game to play anytime you have a few extra minutes of class time. (1)

**Playing and Creating:** An Orff arrangement for this song is given in “The Orff Source”. (#36) Teach the arrangement to your students, or have your students improvise and create their own. (2, 3, 4)

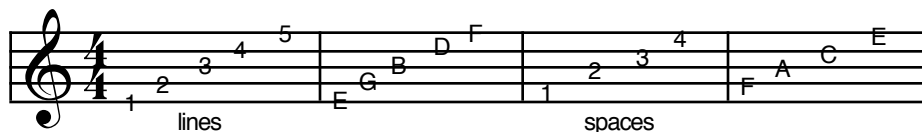
**Music Reading:** Tone set: s m d

Use this song to review the definition of beat and tempo terms. (5)

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# How Notes Are Named

**The Staff:** Music is written on a five line staff. Notes can be placed on lines or in spaces. The lines and spaces are numbered from the bottom to the top. At the beginning of a staff a clef is given. The *treble clef* circles the note G and is used for treble, or higher notes.

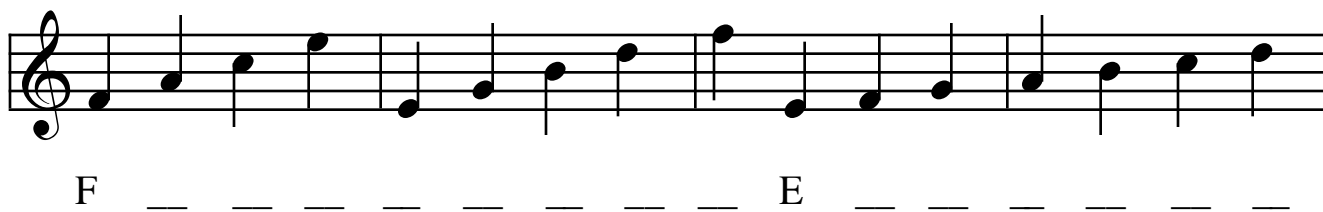


**Letter Names** The first seven letters of the alphabet are used to name notes - ABCDEFG. When you play an instrument, you use letter names to name notes.

You can remember the names of the notes on lines with this poem:  
The notes on the line spell **Every Good Boy Does Fine**

You can remember the names of the notes in spaces with this poem:  
The notes in the space spell your **FACE**.

Name the notes in the staff below. Sing the letter names of the notes in Concentration.



**How Notes Are Named:**

This activity is given as a reproducible in the teacher guide. Read the information given with your class and have them complete the note naming exercise. Additional note naming worksheets are given in the reproducible section of this guide. Have students complete the extra worksheets for practice or assessment.

**Hand Staff:**

Show the students the hand staff. Hold your hand in front of you with your fingers spread apart and the thumb up. Number your fingers 1-2-3-4-5 from the bottom to the top. Tell the students that they have five fingers, just as there are five lines on the music staff. To show the spaces on the hand staff, place the index finger of your right hand between two fingers. Spaces are also numbered from the bottom to the top. Call out a line or space and have the students point to the correct one. For example: line 3, space 4, line 1, space 2



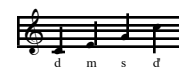
**Staff Games:** Use painter’s tape to put a giant staff on the floor. Painter’s tape won’t hurt the carpet and will last for a week or two until you’ve taught the staff games to all your students. If you have funding available, you can purchase a music rug to go on the floor that has a staff built into it. Visit [www.musicplay.ca](http://www.musicplay.ca) to see a music rug. Additional staff games are given in the publication “Staff and Symbol Games”, also available at [www.musicplay.ca](http://www.musicplay.ca)

**Staff Relay:** Divide the class into two-four teams. On small paper plates write a letter name of a note - A B C D E F G. Each team is given a pile of notes. Teams race to place their notes on the correct line or space of the floor staff. The first team finished with ALL notes correctly placed wins.

**Staff Beanbag Toss:** Divide the class into two-four teams. Each team has a pile of bean bags. A team member tosses a bean bag onto the staff. They must correctly name the line or space it lands on. If they are correct, the bean bag stays. If not, the bean bag is removed by the teacher. The team with the most bean bags on the staff wins.

### 3. Little Tommy Tinker

CD1: 4-5



When a note is held for 2 beats it is called too-oo. ♩ This is a half note.  
 When a note is held for 4 beats it is called fo-o-o-our. ♪ This is a whole note.  
 Sing “Little Tommy Tinker” using rhythm names instead of the words.  
 “Little Tommy Tinker” uses the solfa note high do. Circle every high do.  
 Can you sing the song in solfa and in letter names?

**Actions:**

- A clinker was a hot coal, and when Tommy Tinker sat on it, it HURT!
- Little Tommy Tinker *sit in place*
- sat upon a clinker *jump up, holding your bottom*
- He began to cry *wipe eyes*
- Ma Ma *throw arms into the air (2x)*
- Poor little innocent guy *clasp hands together, bring to chest and sit down*

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**Playing:** This round could be played by good recorder players or on barred percussion instruments or Boomwhackers. (2)

**Creating:** You could have the students try to write new words for this melody. (4)

**Music Reading:** Tone set: drms d'

This is a reading song. Review the note values with the class:

- A quarter note ♩ is one sound on a beat - ta
- A pair of eighth notes ♪ are two sounds on a beat - titi
- A half note ♩ is held for 2 beats - too-oo
- A whole note ♪ is held for 4 beats - fo-o-o-our

You can show this by drawing a pizza on the board. The whole pizza is the equivalent of the whole note. Divide the pizza in two and you have two “half” pizzas, or two half notes.

Have the class read the rhythms of the song. The solfege notes are given, and if you are comfortable with solfege, you can sing and sign it for your students. If not, sing the letter names of this song. (5)

**Standards:** 1, 2, 4, 5