

Favorite Singing Games and Action Songs Project

In 2004, I started making a DVD of the singing games and action songs that are in Musicplay K-6. We got a nice start on the games, but have never had time to finish making the DVD. It's much easier to learn a game by seeing it played than by reading directions. It struck me in my fall travels across the country that it would make a far more interesting DVD to have children from different schools participating in the project. Sometimes too, teachers find a new way to play a game that I didn't think of and this would provide a way to share new ideas.

So - we're opening up participation in the Musicplay K-6 Singing Games and Action Songs DVD to schools across the country. Video your students playing singing games or performing action songs from Musicplay K-6 and submit your DVD. You can perform the singing game or action song with the track from Musicplay or can perform unaccompanied.

For each singing game that is used in the project your school will receive a \$25 credit towards purchase of music resources. Your school will be recognized as a participant in the video, in the title of the game and in the final credits. Your school will receive a copy of the Singing Games or Action Songs DVD that is created from the video footage submitted. Many of the games are short. It may be possible for you to work with a small group of talented students on several different games and receive hundreds of dollars in music resources for your school. Use this project as a fundraiser to purchase Musicplay student books, PowerPoints, recorder books or recorders for your students --- or any of the other materials that we publish!

How to participate:

1. Have parents of each child that you want to video sign a release form allowing distribution of the video. (sample follows) We will require copies of these releases for our files.
2. Email the list of games or action songs that you'd like to video to Denise at tvmusic@telusplanet.net. Denise will check the list of games we have completed and tell you if we need the games or action songs you'd like to video. We have great video of some games already, so would encourage videotaping of games that we don't have first. We may use more than one version of some games, so you might play a game in a way we haven't thought of, but we'd prefer to get at least one version of all games before videotaping 2nd and 3rd versions of the same ones.
3. Send us copies of your release forms and your DVD. We'll let you know how many of your videos that we can use and give you your materials credit. When our editing team has finished assembling the DVD, we'll send you two copies of it --- one for the school and one for the teacher. If you have a new game that we don't know, suggest it to us! We may be able to include it in a brand new collection.

Application / Release Form for Music Teacher and School

School Name: _____ Music Teacher: _____
School Address: _____ City: _____
Province/State: _____ Postal/Zip: _____ Date: _____

I, the undersigned, consent to the use, reproduction and publication of photographs and/or video footage taken of myself, the students (with signed release forms) and the school music room to be used by Themes & Variations. This footage may be used for promotional, informational, commercial or educational purposes.

Music Teacher's Signature: _____
Principal (print name): _____ Signature: _____

List of Singing Games submitted:

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| 1. _____ | 5. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 6. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 7. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 8. _____ |

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Date: _____

Dear Parents:

The music program at _____ School would like to participate in the Favorite School Singing Games and Action Songs Project, sponsored by Themes & Variations. In this project, schools from across the country will video-tape singing games and action songs that they learn in music classes. These videos will be assembled into a DVD of singing games and/or action songs that will be available for music teachers to purchase.

For each singing game video that is accepted from our school, the music program will receive a \$25 credit for purchase of music materials. Our school will be recognized as the contributor of the game or action song in both the title of the game and in the final footage. Our school and our music teacher will each receive a copy of the DVD when completed.

Sincerely,

Music Teacher

FOIP - Release Form for Students

I, the undersigned, consent to the use, reproduction and publication of photographs and/or video footage taken of my child, or in which my child may be included, to be used by Themes & Variations. This footage may be used for promotional, informational, commercial or educational purposes.

Child's Full Name: _____

Parent or Guardian's Name: _____ (please print)

Parent or Guardian's Signature: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Province/State: _____ Postal/Zip: _____ Date: _____