Sing Me a Story
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Using props, books, instruments, and drama to present musical/spiritual concepts to preschoolers and younger children.

Props
Folkmanis realistic puppets
Puppets on a Stick
Animal plates
Stuffed animals
Scarves, ribbons, streamers
tennis balls, beach balls, and more

Books
Happy Hippo, Angry Duck by Sandra Boynton ©2011 Little Simon ISBN 978-1-4424-1731-1
Hand, Hand, Fingers, Thumb by Al Perkins.

Stories and Songs

Owl Song

Who is wearing red today? red today? red today?

Who is wearing red today? Please stand up.

Children standing should follow these instructions. Then song is repeated with new color.

Nod your head. Clap 3 times. Turn around. Please sit down.

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Tell me, I forget.
Show me, I remember
Involve me, I understand
- Ancient Chinese Proverb
As I was sitting by the fire
One cold and snowy day,
I heard a knocking at my door,
Could friends be here to play?

I jumped up from my easy chair,
ran quickly to the door,
And much to my delight I saw
Not just one friend, but four!

They said, you’d better hurry,
Grab your coat and run.
We need to show you something -
We think it’s really fun.

I grabbed my wooly mittens,
shoved each foot into a boot.
I hurried through the kitchen,
and out the door did scoot.

My friends were standing all around
laughter filled the air
Right there in my driveway
was a giant polar bear!

At first I could not say a word
My eyes were huge with fear.
I then began to wonder,
What’s he doing here?

My friends seemed not to fear at all.
Of this I was suspicious.
The polar bear stood very still,
seemed calm – not even vicious.

And then I realized that bear
was just a mound of snow -
Created by my funny friends
To give my heart a go.

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**Darby Dog**

I have a dog named Dar-by, yes, Dar-by is her name. She

loves to go for rides and walks, eat snacks, or play a game. I call her name, her ears perk up, her

tail be-gins to wag. With-out that dog, I kow it's true, life would not be the same!
I have a dog.
I named her Anna.
This is how I call her to come: Ann—Nah (sol mi)
She perks up her ears. (whoop whoop - whoop whoop)
She runs to me on her 4 white paws. One Two Three Four (do re mi fa)
When she sees me, her fluffy, curly tail gets really excited. Wheee in a circle (repeat)
Sometimes she speaks to me in her high voice. Yap Yap Yap
Sometimes she gives me a big sloppy kiss. Slurrrrrp Yuck!
I usually give her a big hug – Squeeeeeeze (hug self tightly)
I say, “Anna, are you hungry?”
She perks up her ears. (whoop whoop - whoop whoop)
She runs to her bowl on her 4 white paws. One Two Three Four (do re mi fa)
Her fluffly, curly tail gets really excited. Wheee in a circle (repeat)
I fill her bowl, and she gobbles her food. Gobble, gobble, gobble
Then she drinks all her water. Glug glug glug
Then it is naptime.
I call her name – softly this time. Ann—Nah (sol Mi)
She comes slowly on her 4 white paws. One Two Three Four (do re mi fa)
She crawls into her bed, and turns around 3 times (turn turn turn)
The she quietly lies down.
Soon she is dreaming and softly snoring. (zzzzzzz – zzzzzzzzzzz)
Good night, Anna. (sol mi sol mi)

Anna’s ears:

Calling Anna:
C-o-l-o-r-s
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How do you feel?
Do you feel blue?
What precisely does blue mean to you?

How about red?
Is that your choice?
Tell all about it in your best red voice!

Maybe you’re green...
Perhaps that’s the case!
Show us your green in your greenest, green face!

Yellow, goldenrod, lemon or sunny –
How do you feel?
Are you feeling quite funny?

You may feel like colors – vibrant or pale.
Your feathers may droop,
And you’re dragging your tail.

Are your colors mixed wildly -
Purple and brown?
Swirling together, like a symphony of sound?

Whatever your status...Whatever your state:
We’re glad you’re here with us –
We sure think you’re great!

No matter your color,
no matter your hue...
We can’t have a picture of WE without YOU!

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See the Leaves

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Moving/Responding:

A Carnival of Animals by Nan Grantham
Growing in Grace Preschool, Choosing God’s Way, Spring 2016

Moving to hymns—Growing in Grace, all age levels