## 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

From Head to Toe by Eric Carle ©1997 Harper Festival ISBN 978-0-694-01301-2

Happy Hippo, Angry Duck by Sandra Boynton ©2011 Little Simon ISBN 978-1-4424-1731-1

Orang Pear Apple Bear by Emily Gravett ©2005 Simon & Schuster ISBN 978-1-4169-3999-3

The Dot by Peter H. Reynolds ©2003 Candlewick Press ISBN 0-7636-1961-2

Hand, Hand, Fingers, Thumb by Al Perkins.

### STORIES AND SONGS



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TELL ME, I FORGET.

SHOW ME, I REMEMBER

INVOLVE ME, I UNDERSTAND

- ANCIENT CHINESE PROVERB

### **Polar Bear Steady Beat Story**

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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.

# Darby Dog



**Anna Puppy:** A Sound Story

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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. Wheeee 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 – Squeeeeze (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. Wheeee 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)

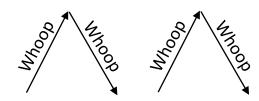
She crawls into her bed, and turns around 3 times (turn turn turn)

The she quietly lies down.

Soon she is dreaming and softly snoring. (zzzzzzz – zzzzzzzzz)

Good night, Anna. (sol mi sol mi)

### Anna's ears:









### C-0-1-0-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:

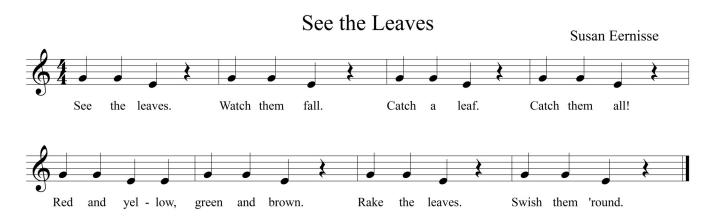
We're glad you're here with us -

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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## 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