Together We Sing!

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8 REASONS WHY SINGING IS SO IMPORTANT IN EARLY CHILDHOOD

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Notes:
1. My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean
Add some movement to the song by having everyone sit down or stand up on every word that starts with “B”.

My Bonnie lies over the ocean
My Bonnie lies over the sea
My Bonnie lies over the ocean
Oh, bring back my Bonnie to me...

Bring back, bring back
Bring back my Bonnie to me, to me
Bring back, bring back
Bring back my Bonnie to me

Willoughby Walliby Wee
Willoughby walliby wee
An elephant sat on me
Willoughby walliby woo
An elephant sat on you
Willoughby walliby wusten
An elephant sat on Justin
Willoughby walliby wangya
An elephant sat on Tanya

If You’re Happy and You Know It
If you’re happy and you know it, clap your hands (clap clap)

Verse 2. If you’re happy and you know it, stomp your feet (stomp stomp)

Verse 3. If you’re happy and you know it, shout “Hurrah!” (hoo-ray!)

Verse 4. If you’re happy and you know it, do all three (clap-clap, stomp-stomp, hoo-ray!)

Transition Songs
Everybody Sit Down
Everybody sit down, sit down, sit down.
Everybody sit down on the floor.
Not on the window and not on the door.
Everybody sit down on the floor.

We’re Cleanin’ Up
We’re cleanin’ up,
We’re cleanin’ up.
We’ll put it away for another day,
We’re cleanin’ up.

She’ll Be Comin’ Round the Mountain
Repeat each sound sung from previous verses at the end of each verse ie. Hi babe! Whoa back! Toot, toot!
Check out She’ll Be Comin’ Round the Mountain by Jonathan Emmett at your local library.

She’ll be coming round the mountain
When she comes (Toot, toot!)
She’ll be coming round the mountain
When she comes (Toot, toot!)
She’ll be coming round the mountain,
She’ll be coming round the mountain,
She’ll be coming round the mountain
When she comes (Toot, toot!)

Verses:
- She’ll be drivin’ six white horses
  When she comes (Whoa back!)

- Oh, we’ll all go out to meet her
  When she comes (Hi babe!)

- She’ll be wearing red pajamas
  When she comes (Scratch, scratch)

- She will have to sleep with Grandma
  When she comes (She snores!)

You Are My Sunshine
You are my sunshine, my only sunshine,
You make me happy when skies are grey.
You never noted how much I love you,
Please don’t take my sunshine away.

The other night, dear, as I lay sleeping,
I dreamt I held you in my arms.
When I awoke, dear, I was mistaken,
So I hung my head, and I cried.

You are my sunshine, my only sunshine,
You make me happy when skies are grey.
You never noted how much I love you,
Please don’t take my sunshine away.

I’ll always love you and make you happy,
If you will only say the same.
But if you leave me to love another,
You’ll regret it all one day.

You are my sunshine, my only sunshine,
You make me happy when skies are grey.
You never noted how much I love you,
Please don’t take my sunshine away.
If You Want To...
If you want to read a story clap your hands (clap, clap).
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If you want to read a story, if you want to read a story.
If you want to read a story clap your hands (clap, clap).

Sticky Bubblegum
Sticky, sticky, sticky bubblegum, bubblegum, bubblegum.
Sticky, sticky, sticky bubblegum, sticking your hands to your head.
Un-stick, pull!(repeat with other body parts).

We’re Flying to the Moon
We’re Flying to the Moon
We’re Flying to the Moon
Oh what an adventure We’re flying to the Moon
5-4-3-2-1 Blast Off!!

Stories
Too Much Noise  by Ann McGovern
The door went creek, and the floor went squeak.
And the trees in the back went swish.

Lady with the Alligator Purse
by Mary Ann Hoberman and Nadine Bernard Westcott

The Farmer in the Dell
The farmer in the dell,
The farmer in the dell,
Hi-ho the dairy-o the farmer in the dell.
The farmer takes a wife...
The wife takes a child...
The child takes a nurse...
The nurse takes the dog...
The dog takes a cat...
The cat takes a rat...
The rat takes the cheese...
The cheese stands alone.

The Wishy Washy Washerwoman
Click here to watch the video of this song.

Waaaay (point finger down to ground and bring it across the body to point to sky and then back down across body on “way”) down in the valley where nobody (shake finger “no”) goes
There’s a wishy washy washer woman washing her clothes
She goes “Ooh Ahh, Ooh Ahh” (pretend to scrub up and down on a washboard)
And that’s how the washer women washes her clothes

- Dryin’ her clothes (blow on clothes)
- Foldin’ her clothes (clap left hand on top of right then right hand on top of left)
- Paintin’ her toes (pretend to paint toes, “ooo!”)
- Fightin’ her foes (pretend to box)
- Smellin’ a rose (pretend to smell rose, “ahh!”)
- Pickin’ her nose (“pick”, “flick”)
- Sayin’ adios (bye, bye)

Notes:
Dinosaurs in Cars by Nancy Stewart
Click here to listen to this super funny song!

THERE WERE FIVE DINOSAURS RIDIN' IN CARS
(pretend to be driving)
HAVIN' A “WHEELY” GOOD TIME
THEY SAID, “STEP ON THE GAS” (step forward with one foot)
WE’LL GO REALLY FAST! (push one hand out in front of body)
AND THEY DID UNTIL ONE HAD A FLAT TIRE
CA-CHUNK, CA-CHUNK, CA-CHUNK, CA-CHUNK (roll hands unevenly as if rolling a flat tire)
WHOOSH——— (sink down to crouch position while making air sound)
AND HE SAID, “GO ON WITHOUT ME!” (cup hands around mouth and shout upward)

REPEAT WITH 4,3,2, AND ONE DINOSAUR

LAST TIME- speak the following in a rhythmic, almost rapping way:
AND HE SAID, “I KNOW WHAT I’LL DO, I’LL CHANGE THE TIRE”
SO HE JACKED UP THE CAR (pretend to work a jack while making whoosh sound)
AND HE TOOK OFF THE FLAT (pretend to lift off heavy tire as you say “UH!”)
AND HE PUT ON THE SPARE (pretend to put on spare as you say, “UH!”)
AND HE SAID, “I’LL PICK UP MY FRIENDS”

THEN THERE WERE FIVE DINOSAURS, RIDIN’ IN CARS
(stand back up and repeat original motions)
HAVIN’ A WHEELY GOOD TIME
THEY SAID, “STEP ON THE GAS, WE’LL GO REALLY FAST”
AND THEY DID AND DOWN THE ROAD THEY WENT FLYIN’
SO LONG! (spoken with a wave)

I’VE BEEN LEARNIN’ MY ALPHABET
(Tune: “I’ve Been Workin’ on the Railroad”)

Chorus:
I’ve been learning my alphabet, you know the ABCs.
I’ve been learning my alphabet, will you sing with me, please?
Every letter makes a different sound.
Just you wait and see.
I’ve been learning my alphabet, you know the ABCs.

Verse 1
A – Apple (Bend ring finger and first knuckle into cheek.)
B – Butterfly (Cross two flat hands in front of you at the wrists, palms facing up, interlock thumbs and bend the hands at the large knuckles twice to show the butterfly flapping its wings.)
C – Cow (Hang loose sign with thumb touching head.)
D – Duck (Forefinger and middle finger tap the thumb in front of the mouth to mimic the movement of a duck’s bill.)
E – Elephant (Use hand to trace trunk of elephant starting at nose.)
F – Fish (The right hand waves back and forth while moving forward a few inches. This resembles the movement of a fish swimming through water.)
G – Gorilla (The chest is thumped in an action that mimics that of a gorilla.)
H – Horse (The fingers move down and up in a motion similar to the flapping of a horse’s ears.)

Verse 2
I – Itchy (Scratch wrist with opposite hand.)
J – Jump (Pointer and middle fingers move up and down in palm of opposite hand.)
K – Key (Take one hand and hook your index finger. Use the knuckle of that finger and twist it against the palm of your other hand, like turning a key in a lock.)
L – Lion (Using a slightly-curved-5-hand, show the “mane” of a lion by starting at your forehead and pulling the hand backward over your head)
The hand indicates the mane of a lion.)
M – Monkey (Mimic a monkey scratching your sides twice.)
N – Nose (Touch nose with pointer finger.)
O – Octopus (Use one hand and wiggle the fingers represent the legs of an octopus. The other hands sits on top for the octopus head.)
P – Pig (The hand flaps underneath the chin representing food dripping from the mouth of a pig.)
Verse 3
Q - Queen (Pointer and thumb across the body like a sash from shoulder to opposite hip.)
R – Rainbow (Take hand across in air as if tracing a rainbow in the sky.)
S – Spider (Hands crossed over each other, wiggle fingers.)
T – Teeth (The index finger is indicating the teeth.)
U – Umbrella (Like opening an umbrella, place fists on top of each other. Bottom one stays put while other lifts up.)
V – Violin (Pretend to play one.)
W – Wash your hair (Pretend to wash your hair with both hands.)
X – X-ray (Make an “x” with arms crossed.)

Verse 4
Y – Yo–yo (Pretend to use one.)
Z – Zebra – (The 4 hand shapes are pulled across the body to indicate the stripes of a zebra.)

That’s the ending of the alphabet,
It’s time to say goodbye.
Tschos, aloha, adios my friend,
Have a super day.
Scooby dooby dooby dooby do,
I’m ou, ou, out of here!

See Ya Later Alligator
See ya later alligator,
In a while crocodile.
See ya later alligator,
In a while crocodile.
See ya later alligator,
In a while crocodile.

Gotta go buffalo
See you soon raccoon
Be sweet parakeet
Take care polar bear
In a shake garter snake
Hit the road happy toad

Can’t stay blue jay
Bye-Bye butterfly
Give me a hug lady bug
Toodaloo kangaroo,
Time to scoot little newt
Till then penquin,

Adios hippos,
Mañana iguana
Give a kiss gold fish
Get in line porcupine
Out the door dinosaur
Take care teddy bear