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Color Me Music

Sing, Dance, and Play with Color Along the Way!

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Materials needed - images of winter, spring, summer, and fall

A Section

- Speak poem.
- Choose favorite season and add corresponding movement to perform on rests.
- Add sound to movement (vocal, found, or instrumental sound).
- Make four "season" groups; each group creates a seasonal shape and sound to perform on rests.
- Practice first two beats of body percussion followed by two quarter note rests (place pointer finger over lips to help students feel the rests). Perform with poem.
- Replace the two rests with snaps and practice body percussion while teacher performs poem. Switch.
- Half perform body percussion, half perform poem. Switch.
- All perform body percussion with poem.

B Section

- Students stand in own space throughout the room.
- Teacher plays drum, students explore one non-locomotor movement (bend, twist, push, pull, stretch, swing, sway, bounce, shake, rise, fall, etc.) for 8-beat phrases. Encourage students to use,
 - * Levels High, middle, low
 - * Shapes Angular, round, curving
 - * Direction Forward, backward, sideways, turning
 - * Speed Quick, slow
 - * Weight/Energy Heavy, light





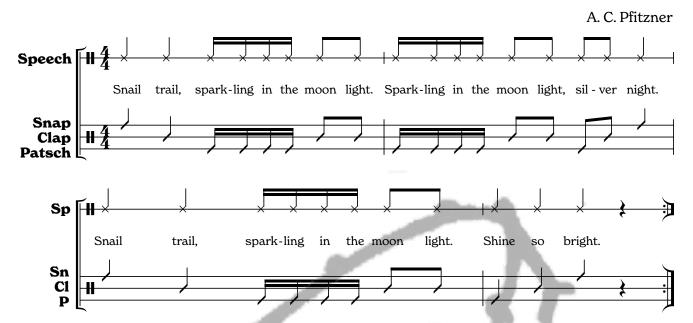




Show images of seasons.

- Students brainstorm list of adjectives and color words about seasons. Explore combinations of movements and sounds that reflect the color words and adjectives.
- Class chooses one movement and sound for each season.
- Perform each movement and sound for an 8-beat phrase, teacher plays a cue on a triangle at end of each phrase.
- Make four groups, one for each season.
- Groups create movement and sound. Add a repeat and perform each 8-beat phrase twice.
- Perform in canon with each group entering after each 8-beat phrase.
- Decide form. (abab, aaba, abba, aaab) Perform.

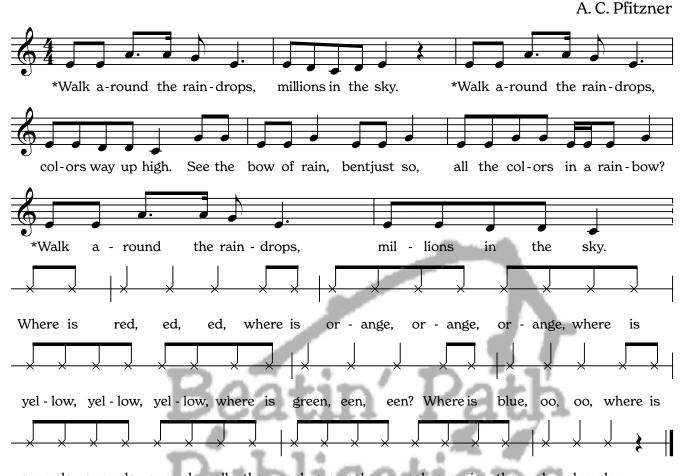
Silver Snail Trail



Materials needed - drum, small hand percussion instruments

- Teacher plays beat on drum and speaks rhyme. Students walk the beat and change direction at repeat. Explore walking in curved and spiral pathways.
- Groups of four-five create a line with a leader in front. Each line follows it's leader. At repeat, leader moves to the end of line. Next student in line becomes the new leader. Repeat until all have had a turn and students are speaking rhyme.
- Add body percussion of first two beats of measures one and three.
- Add patsch on sparkling in the, alternating hands on legs, performing speech and body percussion.
- Add remaining parts and perform body percussion with speech.
- Perform in canon after one measure.
- Transfer body percussion to small hand percussion instruments:
 - * Snap Metals
 - * Clap Woods
 - * Patsch Drums
- Perform with speech and non-pitched percussion.
- Practice while speaking rhyme "inside head" while playing instruments.
- Decide form and perform.

Unicorns and Rainbows



pur - ple, pur - ple, pur - ple, all the col - ors, col - ors, col - ors in the sky, sky, sky.

Materials needed - colored scarves.

A Section

- Standing in a circle, each student with a colored scarf, ribbon streamer, or colored object (red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple) in one hand. There should be more than one of each color.
- All sing song and walk counterclockwise while one student in the center with a white scarf or object (the Unicorn), walks the opposite direction.

B Section

- Face center, as each color is named, students with that color go into the center and try to find a new spot vacated by someone else. The Unicorn must also try to find a new spot. The object is to find a space in the rainbow and to keep the Unicorn in the center. If the Unicorn is successful in finding a new space, they give the white scarf or object to the last person without a space in the circle. This person is the new Unicorn, and the game begins again.
- *The Unicorn chooses the locomotor movement each time.
- Got a Unicorn headband? Perfect for the unicorn!

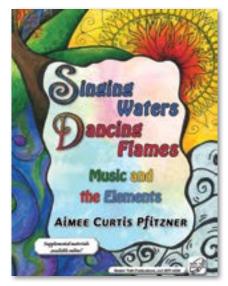
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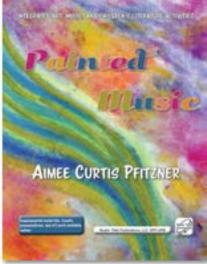


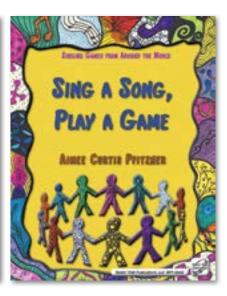
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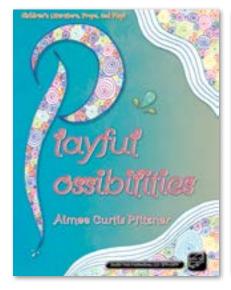
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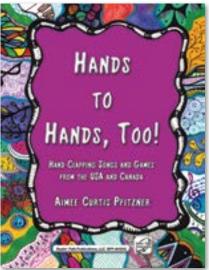
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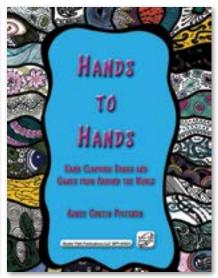












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