Primary Music Specialist – Rhythm & Pulse Lesson Plans

YEAR 2 RHYTHM AND PULSE:

LESSON: 2

LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

To continue to consolidate understanding of pulse through practical activities such as clapping games with partners.

KEY VOCABULARY: Pulse,

RESOURCES: Clap, partner, sequence

MAIN ACTIVITIES:

- Start with 'BOOM CHICK-A-BOOM' (TRACK 35)
- Play 'WHO HAS A BROTHER?' (TRACK 36)
- Play 'COPY ME' (TRACK 38) Ask the children to copy you and lead them with actions to the pulse. It is a good idea to do 8 of every action before changing.

Good actions for this game are clapping, tapping various body parts, tapping feet, arms punching the air, imitating the action of painting the ceiling, painting the wall etc.

• Play 'SWITCH'.

A challenging extension to this game involves you doing the first 8 actions to the pulse and the children copying you when you have finished. At this point you will be doing the next 8 actions, so the children will have to be doing your previous action while watching the new one. Once they understand the concept it works well!

• Teach the clapping game 'A SAILOR WENT TO SEA SEA SEA' (TRACK 31)

The children need to find a partner and practice the routine CLAP RIGHT, CLAP LEFT, CLAP (ACTION ACTION)

When they have grasped the idea, run through the clapping game together with the whole class.

INVENTING CLAPPING SEQUENCES WITH PARTNERS: (TRACK 18)

Ask the children to turn to their partner and to the same music as for task no.2, ask them to make up clapping sequences: E.g. tap knees, own hands and partner's hands, circle hands and clap partner's hands etc. They will have many ideas.

Give them a few minutes with their partners to come up with and work on a sequence.

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• Bring the children back together and ask some to perform their sequences.

If appropriate ask the class to try and copy the new sequences with their partners.

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Teach the song and play the game 'TONY CHESTNUT' (TRACK 22)

Actions:

Toe (tap toe) knee (tap knee), chest (tap chest), nut (tap head) Nose (touch nose), eye (touch eye), love him (cross hands over chest) That's What (click right, click left)

Now play taking out one word at a time and still doing the actions.

E.g.knee, chest, nut Then chest, nut etc...

PLENARY:

End with 'GOODBYE EVERYONE' (TRACK 45)

SING with actions HUM with actions THINK with actions

NATIONAL CURRICULUM: 1a, 1c, 2a, 4a

Please see 'TEACHER NOTES' for teaching tips and ideas to develop this lesson.