

Learning Objectives for Music

Children under Five Years*

During the preschool years children need opportunities to develop the following:

Skills:

Children will have frequent opportunities to learn:

1. to listen attentively,
2. to be more aware of their bodies and to improve their physical co-ordination,
3. to keep a steady beat with body movements (both locomotor and non-locomotor), voice and percussion instruments,
4. to echo simple rhythmic patterns (in body percussion or when playing percussion instruments),
5. to move expressively to sound and music, using a growing range of movements,
6. to use their singing voice and, eventually, match it to a given pitch,
7. to experiment with percussion instruments, naming them and identifying them by their sounds,
8. to play along with group singing.

Understandings:

Children will have frequent opportunities to develop their understanding of the following elements of music:

1. High and low sounds (pitch)
2. Long and short sound (rhythm),
3. Loud and soft sounds (dynamics),
4. Fast and slow sounds (tempo),
5. Changes in tone (timbre/tone colour),
6. Phrasing in music (form).

All children should have opportunities to:

create, re-create and appreciate music

through

listening, moving, singing and playing activities

involving them in

discovery, imitation, repetition and improvisation

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 - Cross-referenced with Song Titles on *Splish, Splash, Splosh*

Song Titles	Skills (Refer p10)								Understandings (Refer p10)				
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2			5
1. Join The Fiesta	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2			5
2. Jump Out Of Bed	1	2			5	6			1	2			5
3. Criss Cross	1	2	3		5	6			1	2			5
4. Tightrope Fun	1	2	3		5	6			1	2			5
5. Crab Walk	1	2	3		5	6			1	2		4	5
6. Seagulls	1	2			5	6			1	2			5
7. Oceans	1	2	3		5				1	2			5
8. Splish, Splash, Splosh	1	2		4	5	6	7	8	1	2			5
9. Till The Day Is Done	1		3	4		6	7	8	1	2	3		5
10. Jazzy Ragout	1	2	3		5				1	2			5
11. Just Sing A Song	1	2	3		5	6			1	2			5
12. Nau Mai	1	2	3		5	6			1	2			5
13. Building	1	2	3		5	6	7	8	1	2			5
14. Good Manners	1	2	3			6			1	2			5
15. Make A Shape	1	2	3		5	6			1	2			5
16. Lunchtime	1	2	3	4		6			1	2			5
17. Sit Dance	1	2			5	6			1	2			5
18. Music Maker	1		3			6	7	8	1	2			5
19. Follow Where I Lead You	1	2	3		5	6			1	2			5
20. Parachute Journey	1	2	3			6			1	2		4	5
21. Little Star	1				5	6			1	2			5