BRADY RYMER AND THE LITTLE BAND THAT COULD

DING DONG

lesson plan

OBJECTIVES

- GENERAL Awareness of body parts; importance of exercise and movement
- VOCABULARY Hands, Feet, Elbows, Head, Knees, Hips, Body, Move, Jump, Dance, Rhythm
- MATH Measure feet, hands, head, height; compare and contrast with peers
- SOCIAL SKILL Personal space; keeping your body in control; sustaining a rhythm with another person
- DAILY LIVING SKILL Learn to dance!

SKILLS

Listening
Singing
Exercising
Play acting
Documenting: photography, filming
Research
History

RECORDINGS

"Ding Dong" from I Found It CD. Track 9



Available on iTunes or Amazon.com bradyrymer.com

RHYME THESE!

hands, feet, elbows, head, knees, hips, body, hot dog.

ACTIVITY

- 1. Play the song, "Ding Dong." Print the lyrics and sing along.
- 2. Read the lyrics aloud to the class.
- 3. Move each part of your body as instructed and jump up on the "Hot Dogs."
- 4. Get the rhythm in more parts of the body not mentioned by Brady. Have the kids demonstrate what it looks like getting the rhythm there.

EXTENSION

- 1.CLASSROOM/PHYSICAL EXPERIENCE Learn popular dances: Electric Slide, Cha Cha Slide, Gangnam Style, Chicken Dance, Macarena, Cupid Shuffle...
- 2. HOME CONNECTION Encourage parents to play the song and allow the student to lead the family in the "Ding Dong" dance. Encourage the student to share other learned dances with his or her family.
- 3. COMMUNITY CONNECTION Plan a dance party and invite other classes to join.
- 4. GLOBAL CONNECTION Examine other cultures: different styles of dancing tribal, ballet, modern, etc... What is the role of dancing in different cultures Africa, Europe, Native American? How are our dances similar? Why do we dance?
- 5. CREATIVE CONNECTION Write, draw or sing your own Ding Dong story, poem, picture or song.

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