

Soaring Scarves Academy

December #1- Mr. Willowby's Christmas Tree Lesson Plan

Grades Addressed-K/1/2		Date-		
Music Lesson Goal/Objective- The students will know: ta and titi rhythms for a Christmas Tree Chant, solfege practice, difference between high/low, soft/loud and solfege mi/sol. The students will be able to: scarf dance, listen and participate in a story, practice identifying high/low vs quiet/loud or something in between. Students will also get to decorate a tree using solfege and scarf dancing				
Music Elements Addressed				
Expressive:	Timbre: vocal	Duration: Beat, Rhythm	Pitch: Sol and Mi for decorating a tree	Structure: Decide high/low loud and quiet
Music Standards Addressed				
Perform: Dance and Sing	Creating: decorate a christmas tree	Relate to History/Culture:	Listen, Analyze, Describe: Make informed decisions	Read/Notate Ta and Titi rhythms and solfege



Learning Activities (Be sure to address modification & differentiation needs)	
The teacher will:	The student will:
1. Introduce students to scarf rules- they don't go near our mouth, don't go on our heads, you get what you get and you don't get upset	Students finish the sentences along with teacher "mouth", "head", "and you don't get upset"
2. Pass out scarves and have the children complete the Soaring Scarves Beginning Routine	Students take time to smooth out their scarves, focus, and understand the scarf dancing expectations.
3. For this lesson I have students dance to Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairies. At the end of the lesson they will have another activity involving this song.	Scarf Dance!
5. Soaring Scarves End Routine- students will be using scarves later in class.	Make a magic scarf wish and either hand in the scarf if it is collected or sit on it.

6. Review the difference between ta and titi rhythms. Chant Mr. Willowby's chant and then have students add in rhythms for "Christmas Tree" using a smartboard.	Chant and add correct rhythms
7. As you read through the story, stop and have students figure out how they should change their voices for each character either just by talking or using slides 8-11. Once you have done this repeat Mr. Willowby's chant, but change the chant for each different character name.	Decide between high/low, quiet/loud or something in the middle. Change voice depending and add in different characters names.
8. Time to decorate your own tree! Have students add ornaments, lights and the star once they have sung through the sol/mi pitches	Sing all the different sol/mi patterns to add ornaments
9. Oh No! A snow storm comes and knocks off all the decorations! Not to worry! You have a quick scarf dance to fix it!	Dance to add back the decorations!

This lesson plan's main purpose is to get students learning while they move. Students can move along to a Christmas Tree Chant, dance as all the different animals during Mr. Willowby's story(all while deciding if they should be loud/soft or high/low) and decorating their own Christmas tree! This is the perfect lesson plan to bring into your classroom this holiday season!

We hope you enjoyed this lesson plan from the Soaring Scarves Academy!