

ELA & MUSIC Lesson 5: Songs to Help Us Spell

K-6

Music can be used as a simple tool to help us remember things, like how to spell someone's name! Use music as a mnemonic device.

Supplies: none

Objective

Students will practice singing different tunes to spell out names. Then they will create their own using a vocabulary word and song of their choice.

Outline & Procedure using the video

- 1. Hear a few examples of songs that help us spell ("B-I-N-G-O" and "Old McDonald")
 - 2. For spelling our own names, we can use these songs. "Old McDonald" works for anyone with 7 letters in their name. "B-I-N-G-O" works for anyone with 5 letters.
 - 3. Sing along trying the name Grace with the song "B-I-N-G-O" (2:40)
 - 4. Find a friend or classmate with a 5 letter name and try singing the song with their name.
 - 5. For a name with 6 letters, we can use "The Famer in the Dell". Listen to the example using the name Oliver. Then try singing along (4:00).
 - 6. Try this again with the name of a classmate or friend.
 - 7. For a name with 4 letters, the song "Are You Sleeping" works. Listen to the example of the name Mary and then try singing along (5:21).
 - 8. Try this again with the name of a classmate or friend.
 - 9. For a name with 3 letters, the song "Jingle Bells" works. Listen to the example of the name Amy and then try singing along (6:55).
 - 10. Try this again with the name of a classmate or friend.
- 11. Now think about how this practice can be used for vocabulary words.
 - 12. To choose a song, look at the first phrase of a song and count the syllables. If it has the same amount of syllables as your word, it will work!
 - 13. Try this with the vocabulary word "thorough". Count the letters (8) and find a song with 8 syllables ("Are You Sleeping"). Listen to the example and then try singing along (9:37). Repeat as necessary.
- 14. On your own: take a vocabulary word, or a word that is difficult to spell, and count the letters. Find a song that has the same amount of syllables in the first phrase.

 Replace the lyrics with the spelling and definition. Share with your class!

Kentucky Standards:

- RF.K.3 Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.
- RF.1.3 Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.
- RF.2.3 Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.
- L.6.2b. Demonstrate appropriate use of strategies to identify and correct spelling errors.

Ohio Standards:

- RF.K.3 Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.
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- L.2.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
- L.4.2d. Spell grade-appropriate words correctly, consulting references as needed.
- L.6.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing,
- SL.2.3 Ask and answer questions about what a speaker says in order to clarify comprehension, gather additional information, or deepen understanding of a topic or issue.
- SL.K.5 Add drawings or other visual displays to descriptions as desired to provide additional detail.
- SL.1.5 Add drawings or other visual displays to descriptions when appropriate to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings.
- SL.2.5 Create audio recordings of stories or poems; add drawings or other visual displays to stories or recounts of experiences when appropriate to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings.
- SL.K.6 Speak audibly and express thoughts, feelings, and ideas clearly.
- SL.3.1 Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
- SL.4.1 Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 4 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
- SL.5.1 Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 5 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
- RF.1.4 Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
- RF.3.4 Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
- W.3.2 Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly. a. Introduce a topic and group related information together; include illustrations to aid comprehension, if needed.