



SING, MOVE, and PLAY!

Taiwan School Music Class

Ages 3-6 years old

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Preschool Music Curriculum and Goals

The First Steps in Music Curriculum by John M. Feierabend is a research-based curriculum. The research was related to the development of singing and movement skills in young children.

The goals of this curriculum are to nurture a life-long love of music and to prepare young children to become tuneful, beatful, and artful individuals.

- ❖ **Tuneful**-to develop accurate singing skills
- ❖ **Beatful**-to develop accurate rhythmic skills
- ❖ **Artful**-to be sensitive to the expressive qualities in music

Supplemental Materials are added to The First Steps in Music Curriculum.

About the Music Classes

Classes meet once a week for 60 minutes. 45 minutes of instruction time. 15 minutes for break and free play.

A combination of the following activities is included in each lesson:

- 1) Pitch Exploration-Vocal Warm-ups
- 2) Rhythm and Tonal Echo Pattern Games
- 3) Song Fragments-
 - a. Echo Songs
 - b. Call and Response Songs
- 4) Simple Songs-short and easy songs with a limited tonal range
- 5) Arioso-tunes children spontaneously create
- 6) Song Tales-story songs sung to children to develop listening skills and give children the opportunity to hear the expressiveness in music
- 7) Movement Exploration-activities to develop body coordination and expressive sensitivity
- 8) Movement for Form and Expression-experience the expressive qualities in music through movement
 - a. Fingerplays
 - b. Action songs
 - c. Circle games
- 9) Movement with the Beat-feel beat motions in groups of two and three

