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### 'Round and 'Round



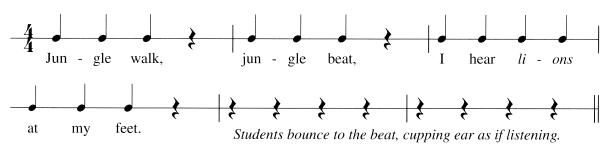
**FOCUS: Quarter Note, Quarter Rest** 

LEVEL: K - 1

SKILLS: Steady beat • Instrument playing • So-la-mi

### **PROCESS**

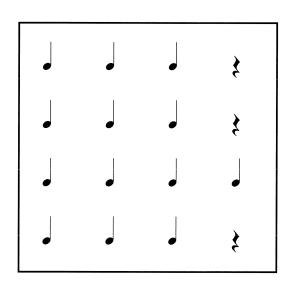
Warmup: Teach the following chant, echoing by phrases.



- With students in self-space, tap a drum as they walk the beat, speaking the chant. On the silent beats in measures 5 and 6 tap the rim of the drum as students freeze and bounce to the beat, cupping one ear. Have students choose other animal names for additional verses.
- Present the visual at the right.
- Sing 'Round and 'Round to the class as students pat the beat on their legs. Use a pointer to follow the rhythm on the visual as you sing. Identify where the silent beats occur.
- Teach the song, echoing by phrases.

### PERFORMANCE - Ball Passing Game

Class sits in a circle with four different percussion instruments in the center. As the song is sung, a ball is passed student-to-student on the beat (including rests). The student holding the ball on the final "round" goes to the middle, chooses an instrument, and plays the rhythm of the song as an interlude. Instrumentalists return to the circle after their solos and the game continues.



### **EXTENSION - Craft Stick Rhythm Notation**

Form small groups and pass out four craft sticks (popsicle sticks) to each group. Invite groups to create 4-beat rhythm patterns on the floor with the sticks. Have each group clap their rhythm for the class.

Next, clap 4-beat rhythms for students to notate using the sticks.

Craft Stick Rhythm Key vertical stick = quarter-note horizontal stick = quarter rest

## Mother Goose is on the Loose



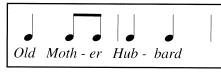
FOCUS: Rhythm Patterns ( combinations)

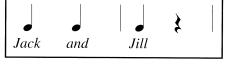
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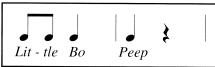
SKILLS: Broken bordun • Instrument playing • Movement

### **PROCESS**

 Warmup: Review the following rhythm patterns through echo-clapping. Next, using sentence strips with the nursery rhyme characters written on them, match names with the corresponding rhythms.









- Teach Mother Goose is on the Loose, section A, echoing by phrases, while students pat the beat.
- Prepare the orchestration with body percussion and text phrases, then transfer to instruments.
- Movement: Divide class into four circles and assign one character to each group.

Meas. 1-2: step (in) - 2 - 3 - together

Meas. 5-6: step (out) - 2 - 3 - together

Meas. 3-4: pat - clap - pat - clap

Meas. 7-8: pat - clap - pat - (rest)

• Teach the B section as follows: Teacher speaks the clues and each group claps and speaks its character name in rhythm. Choose any two characters for each B section.

### **PERFORMANCE**

Intro: BX/BM play four measures.

A: Song/dance with orchestration.

B: Teacher speaks any two clues; the corresponding groups answer.

A: Song/dance with orchestration.

B: Teacher speaks any two clues; the corresponding groups answer.

A: Song/dance with orchestration.

Repeat form as desired. Use "Final" lyrics for the last A section.

### EXTENSION 1 - Unpitched/Barred Percussion Playing

Divide class into four unpitched percussion groups—metals, woods, skins, and large percussion. Transfer one character rhythm to each group. Repeat the performance without movement using spoken clues and instrument playing in each B section.

Repeat, this time transferring character rhythms to barred instruments in G Pentatonic. Separate the groups as follows: SG/AG, SX/AX, SM/AM, BX/BM.

#### **EXTENSION 2 - More Clues**

Have students work in groups to create and notate new riddles for nursery rhyme characters. Use these as new B sections to the song. Suggestions: Sat on a tuffet—*Little Miss Muffet*; Had a bowl—*Old King Cole*.