

10 Sources of Fun December Activities for After the Concert

1. Watch the concert, and do a Evaluation or Self-Evaluation of the performance

Song #1 – Musicplay 3, *I Like Singin'* has a good example of evaluate a performance

Song #13-Musicplay 3, *Seasons*, has an example of 3 stars and a wish.

2. Play Online Games: Instrument Bingo, Trivia Wheel, Space Adventure

3. Play Class Games such as Instrument Bingo, print version

4. Four Corners Game: rhythm, instruments families

5. Jingle Bells Game: Make 2 circles and give each circle one pair of jingle bells. Play Jingle Bells, and have the kids pass the bells around the circle. When the music stops (you stop it randomly), the kids holding the jingle bells switch circles. Idea is from one of our Musicplay Teachers – and I can't find the post right now!

6. Centers: <https://store.musicplay.ca/collections/music-centers>

Themes & Variations publishes 5 really good centers kits.

Super Simple Centers K-1 and Gr. 2-3. (can download)

Music Center Kits – grade 4-5-6

Rhythm Dice Games – Grades 3-6. (comes with 25 rhythm dice)

Additional Centers Can Include:

Worksheets/Coloring pages

Online games on iPads/class devices

Compose with word rhythms/notes (resources are in any reading song on MPO)

7. Happy Holidays Unit – there are many FUN activities

a. Carolling Movies and Concert Ideas, b. Holiday Solfa & Rhythm Interactive Activities

c. Jingle Bells Unit (Christmas Carnival). d. Holiday Orff Arrangements

e. Arrangements Orff des fêtes (français). f. Deck the Halls

g. Jolly Old Saint Nicholas. h. We Wish You a Merry Christmas

i. It Came Upon a Midnight Clear. j. Carol of the Bells

k. Holiday Playalong Activities. l. Holiday Listening Activities

8. Nutcracker Unit (Units-Listening) – do the activities just for fun

- story and composer videos

- show a version of the Nutcracker from YouTube

- scroll through the unit and do activities that you've missed

- "color the Nutcracker story" activity has just been added.

9. Instrument Holiday Activities

Body Percussion: Sing Noel easy and challenge, Jingle Bells

Boomwhacker: Select Holiday ideas for 9 songs to read/play with B/W

- Christmas Chopsticks in Boomwhackers will be fun for older kids!

Bucket Drumming: 8 bucket drumming pieces, most with demos!

Unpitched: 9 songs with arrangements. Easiest are ABC, Just One Candle

10. Review and Request

Always a favorite activity in the week before a break!