



MUSICPLAY MENTORSHIP

with Stacy Werner

SESSION #1 – GETTING STARTED AND CORE SKILLS



THEMES & VARIATIONS
MUSICPLAY
ONLINE

BEFORE WE BEGIN...

- Sign in to your MusicplayOnline account.
- Write in the chat where you are from.
- Get a bean bag, scarf, egg shaker, stuffy, or something you can safely toss in the air!
- Active participation!

LOGGING IN:

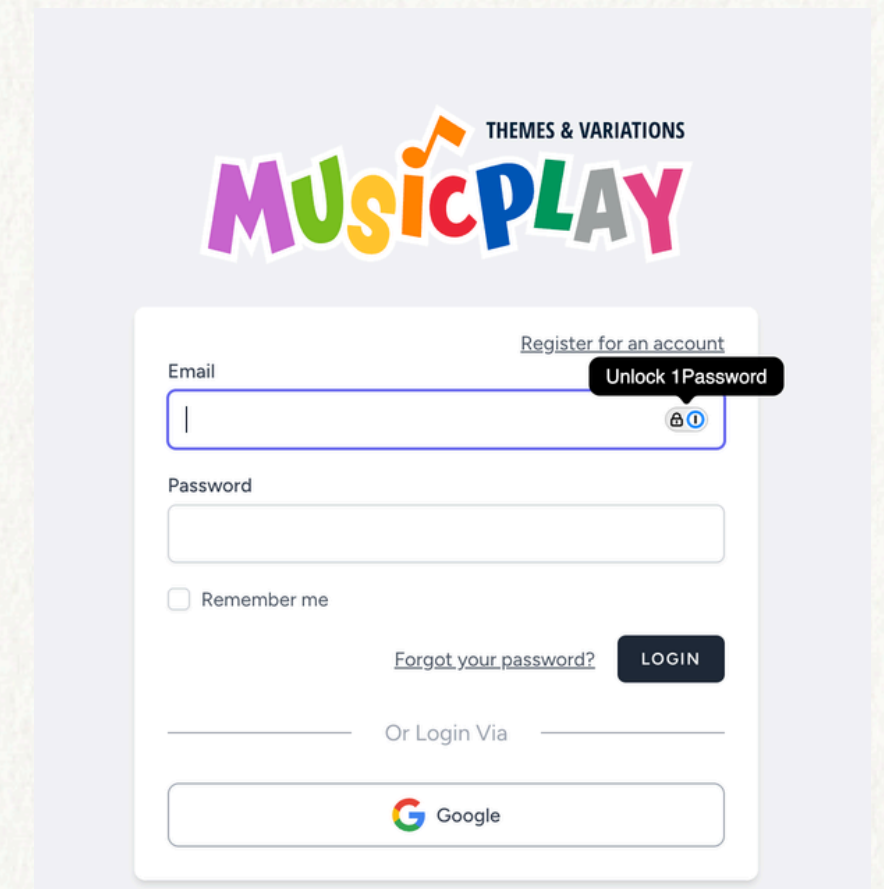
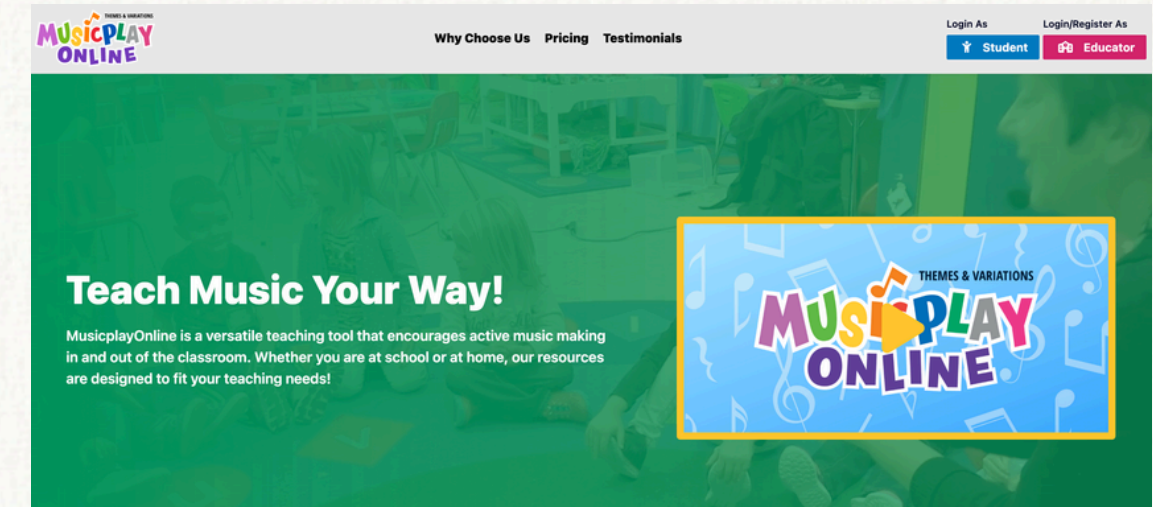
To log in to MusicplayOnline, go to musicplayonline.com.

Find "Login/Register as Educator" in the top right corner of the window and click on the Educator button. If you are an existing user, enter your email address in the white box and click Submit. Do NOT click Register, as that will create a new account.

On the next screen, there are two ways to log in:

1. Enter your password in the Password box and click Login OR
2. Log on with your Google account information by clicking on the Google button.

How to Login: <https://help.musicplay.ca/how-do-i-create-a-musicplayonline-account>

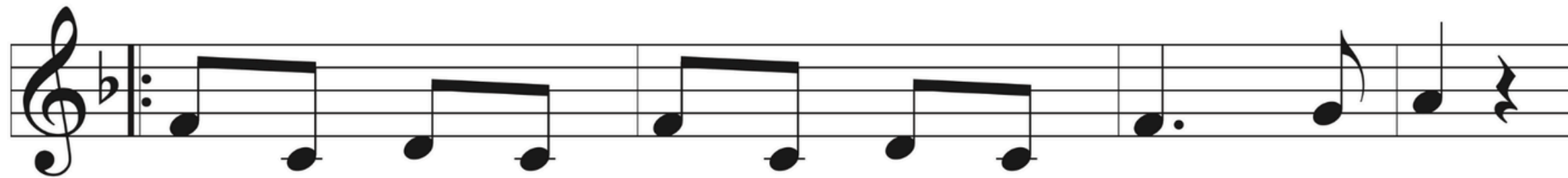


Toss Clap Game

Stacy Werner



Toss clap once! Toss clap twice! Clap three times yes, give it a try.



Back and for - th, back and for - th, toss and catch!



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START WITH A GAME...

Games are at the heart of the Musicplay program. It's so important for students to experience music and play before we begin labeling concepts — a process known as the “Sound Before Symbol” approach.

What are some musical concepts we can pull from the previous game?

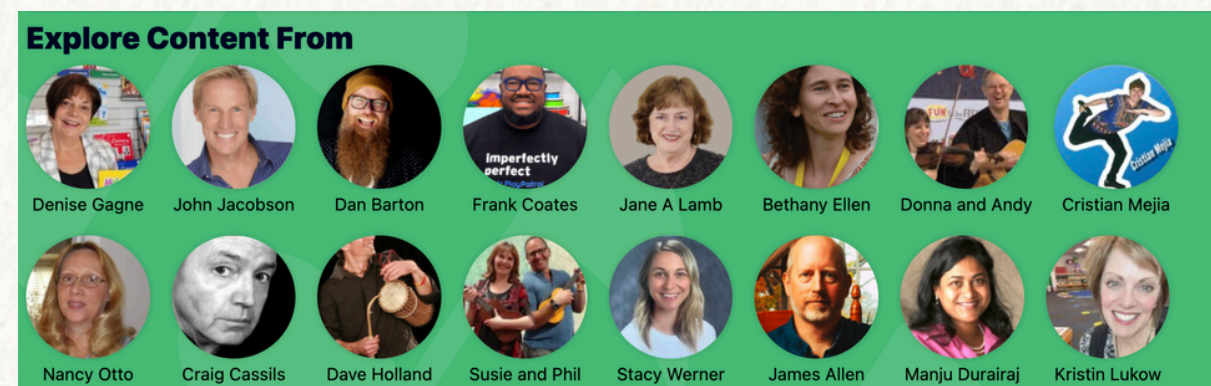
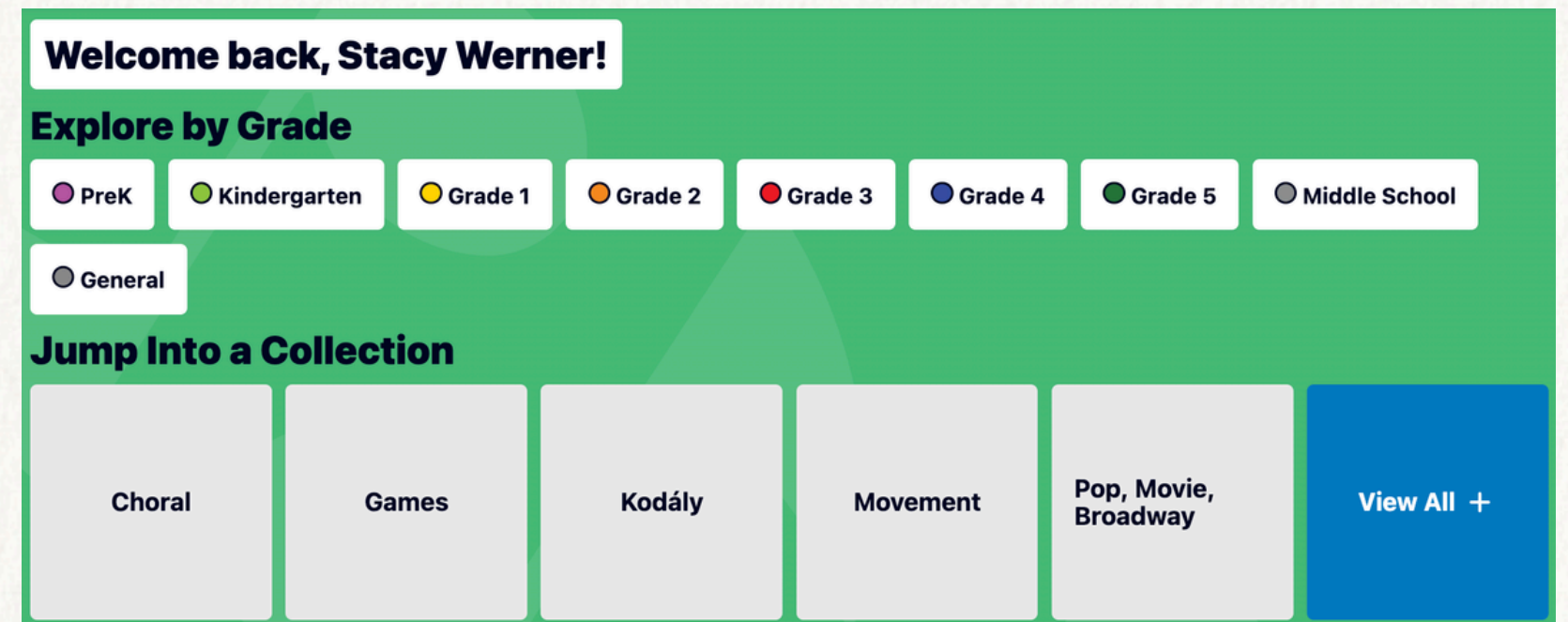
IF I WERE NEW TO MUSICPLAYONLINE...

- Set your language filter
- Activate your student code
- Learn how to Search + Filter
- Start with the Learning Modules
- Pick a Few Favourite Games
- Explore ONE new section at a time
- Save Things You Love to “My Lists”

DISCOVER

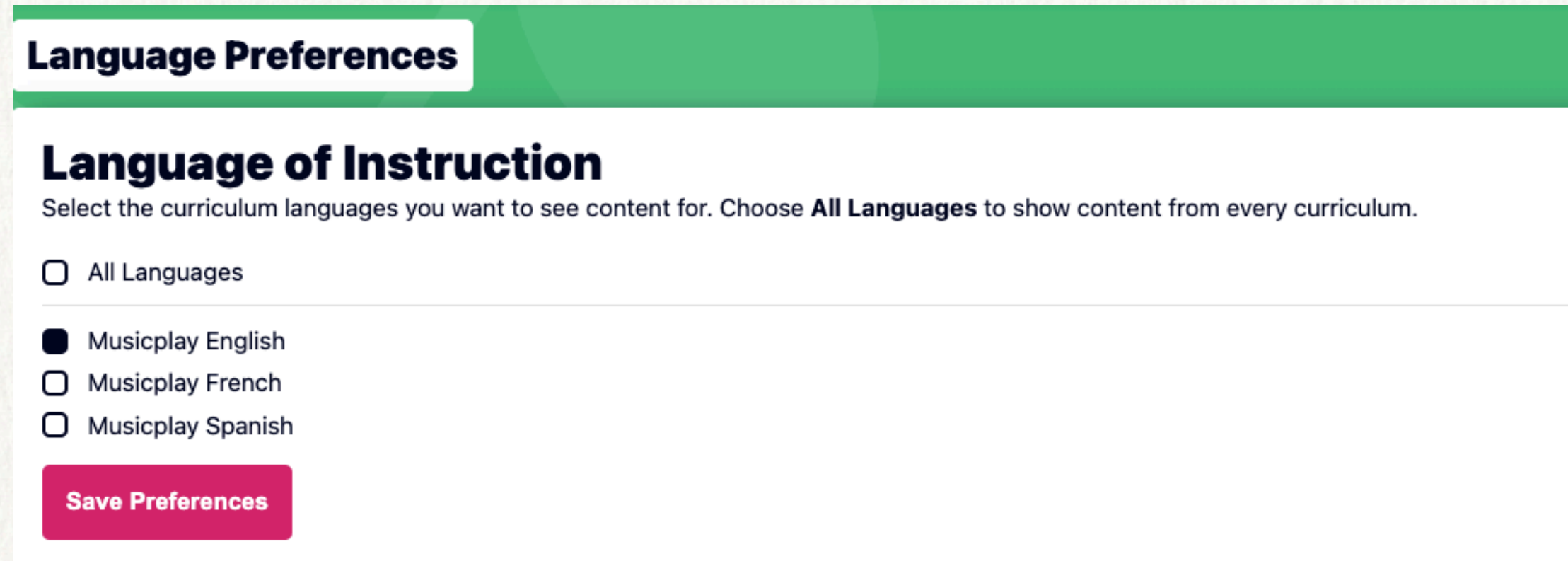
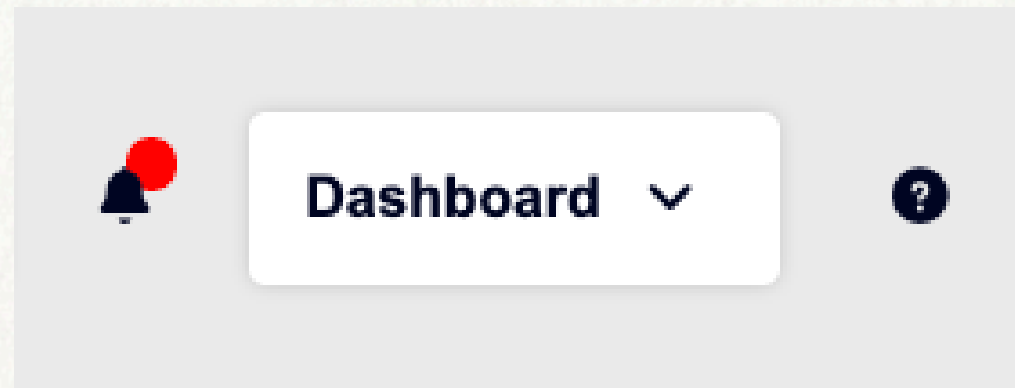
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LANGUAGE FILTERS

- Go to the Dashboard in the top right corner.
- Select **Language Preferences**
- Select the curriculum languages you want to see content for.
- Choose **All languages** to show content from every curriculum.

A screenshot of the "Language Preferences" section in the Musicplay Online interface. The section has a green header bar with the title "Language Preferences" in white. Below the header, the title "Language of Instruction" is displayed in bold. A subtitle reads: "Select the curriculum languages you want to see content for. Choose **All Languages** to show content from every curriculum." There are three radio button options: "All Languages" (which is selected), "Musicplay English", "Musicplay French", and "Musicplay Spanish". At the bottom of the section is a pink button labeled "Save Preferences".

STUDENT ACCESS

- For students to log in, they must have the Student Code generated from their teacher's account.
- Once a student has their student code, go to musicplayonline.com.
- Find "Login as Student" in the top right corner of the window and click on the Student button.
- Enter the Student Code in the white box, then click on Access some fun.
- More info: [How to Generate a Class Code](#)

Navigate to

 <https://musicplayonline.com/>

Login as

Click on "Student"

Enter the code for Open Mode

Share this code with your students to give them full access to MusicplayOnline.

In the text field, enter the code:

Enter the code for Focus Mode

Share this code with your students to give them limited access to MusicplayOnline.

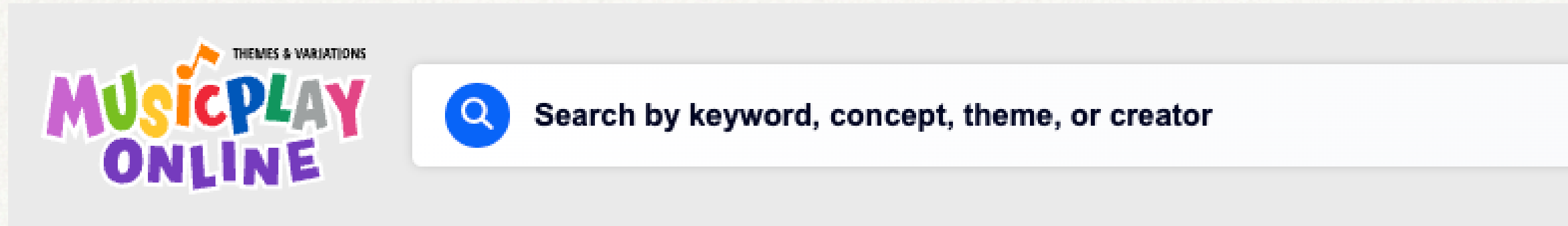
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Open Mode vs. Focus Mode

Let's Practice!

Stacy's Google
Gameboard Slide

SEARCH FILTER



- You can search for content across the entire MusicplayOnline platform or within a specific section.
- Searching within a section often gives more precise results because the search is more targeted.
- To search the entire platform: Go to the Discover section.
- Type your search term(s) in the white field at the top of the page.
- Click the Search button or press Enter on your keyboard.
- To search within a section: Click on the desired section in the left-hand menu.
- Type your search term(s) in the white field at the top of the page.
- Click the Search button or press Enter on your keyboard.
- More info: [How to Use MusicplayOnline's Search Engine](#)

SEARCH FILTER

Let's See What We Find!

Example 1:

- Type in the search bar "Leaves"
- Add a Song Type filter: Round/Canon
- Add a Rhythm filter: Half Note

Example 2:

- Use the filters and select: ti ta ti rhythm
- Use the filters and select: Grade 4
- Explore the different options under the search bar.



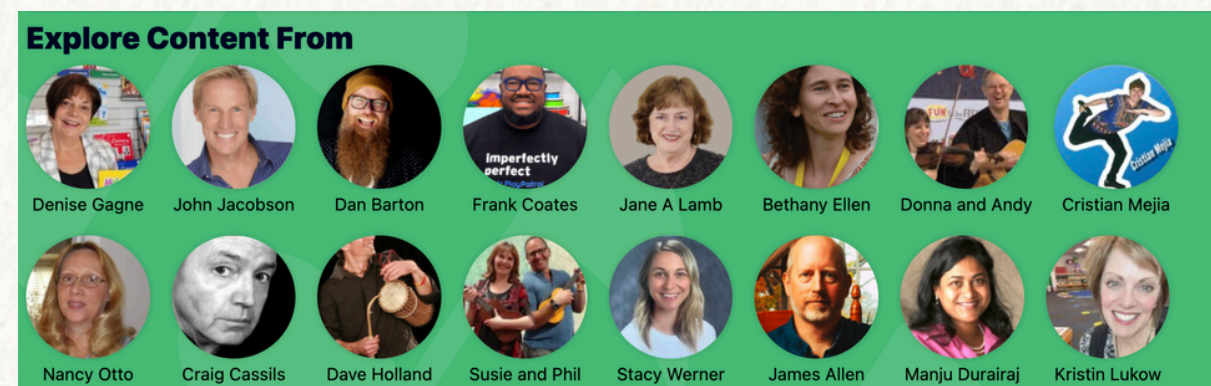
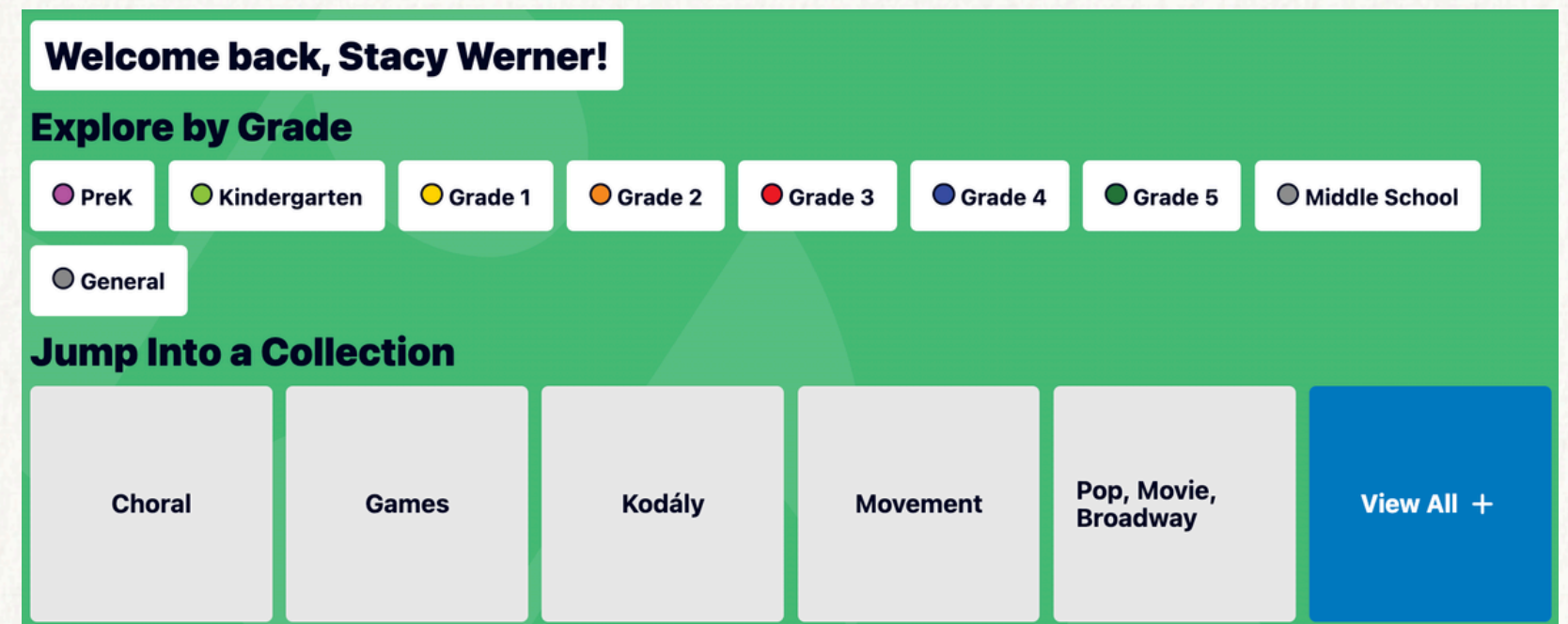
SECTIONS OF MUSICPLAY ONLINE

NAVIGATING THE PLATFORM

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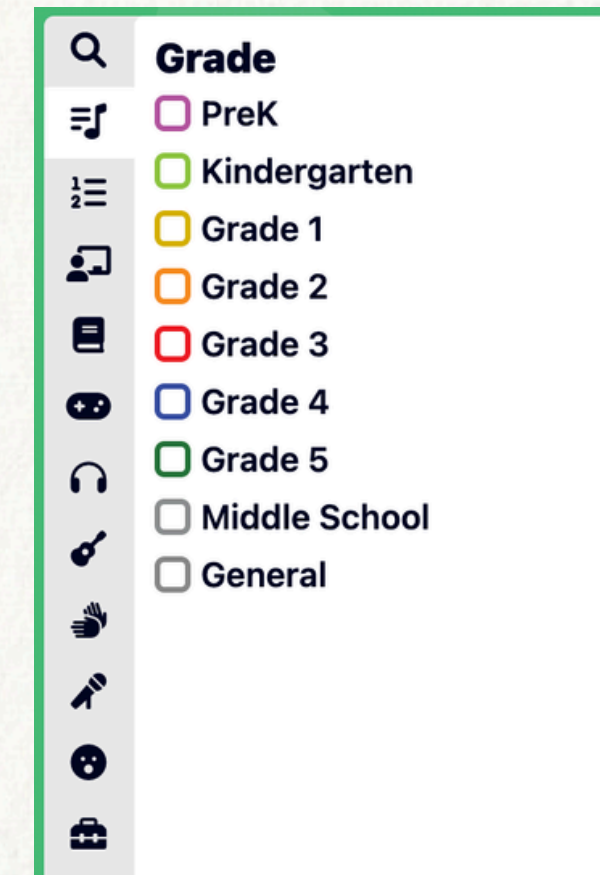
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SONG LIST

- The **Song List** contains every song on MusicplayOnline plus related resources.
- May include: tone set, rhythm, thematic category, and content creator.
- Language is shown in a box on the left of each song.
- Coloured dot indicates the song's grade level.
- Filter by grade or search using the white box at the top.
- Click Search or press Enter to search.
- Song List Information:

<https://help.musicplay.ca/song-list>



	Song	Tone Set	Rhythm	Notes	Creator
EN	1. Dooby Dooby Dooby Doo	-	-	-	MUSICPLAY ONLINE
EN	2. Mountaintop Monster	-	-	-	MUSICPLAY ONLINE
EN	3. Little Red Wagon	-	-	-	MUSICPLAY ONLINE
EN	4. Snail, Snail	m sl	♪ ♪	Orff	MUSICPLAY ONLINE
EN	5. Sam the Robot Man	-	-	-	
EN	6a. Lesson 1 Poems and Extras	-	♪ ♪	-	MUSICPLAY ONLINE

MY LISTS

- My Lists lets you save and organize content from MusicplayOnline.
- Use the Add to My Lists button on eligible content to save it.
- Organize saved items into folders within My Lists.
- We'll explore My Lists in detail during next week's Planning webinar.

The screenshot displays the 'MY LISTS' section of the MusicPLAY ONLINE platform. At the top, there is a search bar with 'All Languages' and a search input field containing 'e.g. "Grade 4 Learning Modules"'. A 'Search' button is to the right. Below the search bar, there are filters for 'Content Type' (set to 'List') and 'Add Filter'. The 'Display As' and 'Sort by' (Default) options are also visible. The main content area is divided into a sidebar and a table. The sidebar on the left shows 'Folders' with a plus icon, listing 'November Week 5 Modules' and 'Substitute Lessons'. The table on the right has a green header with columns: 'Privacy', 'Title', 'Created On', and 'Actions'. There are buttons for 'View All Lists', 'Add New', and 'Edit'. The table lists six items, all with a privacy icon and a plus icon in the actions column.

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LEARNING MODULES

- Organized by grade level (Pre-K to Middle School) plus special thematic lessons.
- Provide a full curriculum and weekly lesson plans.
- Each module includes a 45–60 minute weekly lesson aligned with a typical school year.
- Each lesson contains:
 - Brief activity description
 - Suggestions for extra activities
 - Lesson objectives
 - Teacher's lesson guide
 - MPO resources for each activity
- Includes "How to Use MPO" orientation videos.
- Sort modules by grade or theme using the sub-categories on the left menu.
- Tutorial video: [Watch here](#)

EN	Christmas Boomwhacker Selections	-	Any, Any Week	
EN	Grade 1 Back To School – Lesson 2	Grade 1	August, Any Week	
EN	Grade 1 Back To School – Lesson 5	Grade 1	August, Any Week	
EN	Grade 2 Back To School – Lesson 1	Grade 2	August, Any Week	
EN	Grade 2 Back To School – Lesson 2	Grade 2	August, Any Week	
EN	Grade 2 Back To School – Lesson 3	Grade 2	August, Any Week	

UNITS SECTION

- Units group activities and resources by theme or topic.
- Displayed alphabetically on the Units home page.
- Search by sub-category (left menu) or by keyword (search bar at top).
- Each unit shows its language, sub-category, and content creator.
- Some unit elements may also appear in Learning Modules, but full units are grouped here.
- Tutorial video: [Watch here](#)

Unit Category
☐ Dance & Move
☐ Festivals & Holidays
☐ Listening Units
☐ Instruments
☐ Programs & Musicals
☐ Theory
☐ Games & Centers
☐ Our Musical World
☐ Orff
☐ Literacy
☐ Careers in Music

EN	A Place in the Choir	-	
EN	Advent	Festivals & Holidays	
EN	Alphabet Songs and Activities	Literacy	
EN	American Song: A Patriotic Celebration	Programs & Musicals	
EN	Armenia	Our Musical World	
EN	Articulation	Theory	
EN	Australia	Our Musical World	
EN	Austria	Our Musical World	

GAMES SECTION

- The Games section has interactive activities to test student concept knowledge.
- Games must be played or projected on a device with a screen, or on individual devices.
- Listed alphabetically but can be filtered by Single or Multiplayer (left menu) or searched by keyword.
- Each game includes a “How to Play” section.
- Most games have multiple levels and/or concepts.
- Tutorial video: [Watch here](#)



LISTENING KITS

- Listening Kits are divided into five numbered kits that match grade levels.
- Includes additional Listening Extras not in the main kits.
- Main page can be sorted by kit number (left menu) or searched by keyword.
- Resources within each kit are listed in sequential order.
- Tutorial video: [Watch here](#)



MUSICPLAY

Musette

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Directions: As you listen, think about the music and try to answer as many of the questions as you can. When the selection ends, discuss your answers.

1. What instrument families do you hear?
Strings Brass Woodwind Percussion
2. What instruments do you hear?
3. What is the tempo of the music?
slow very fast
largo presto
4. Is the music quiet or loud? (dynamics)
very quiet very loud
pp ff
5. Is the music smooth and flowing or separated and detached?
smooth separated
6. Describe the mood of the piece.
7. How does this music make you feel?

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15. Overture from The Nutcracker

Play Along

Jouer avec Tocar con

Section A B C or A B C

Musical notation symbols: clapping hands, a drum, a triangle, and musical notes.

INSTRUMENTS

- The Instruments section lists songs playable on various elementary instruments.
- All resources are listed alphabetically on the main page.
- Can be filtered by instrument using options next to the left menu.
- Each instrument has sub-categories like difficulty levels, specific instruments, or content creators.
- Each song includes multiple resources such as videos, accompaniment tracks, arrangements, choreography videos, and more.
- Tutorial video: [Watch here](#)

Ode to Joy
Coloured

Ukulele

intro 2 bars

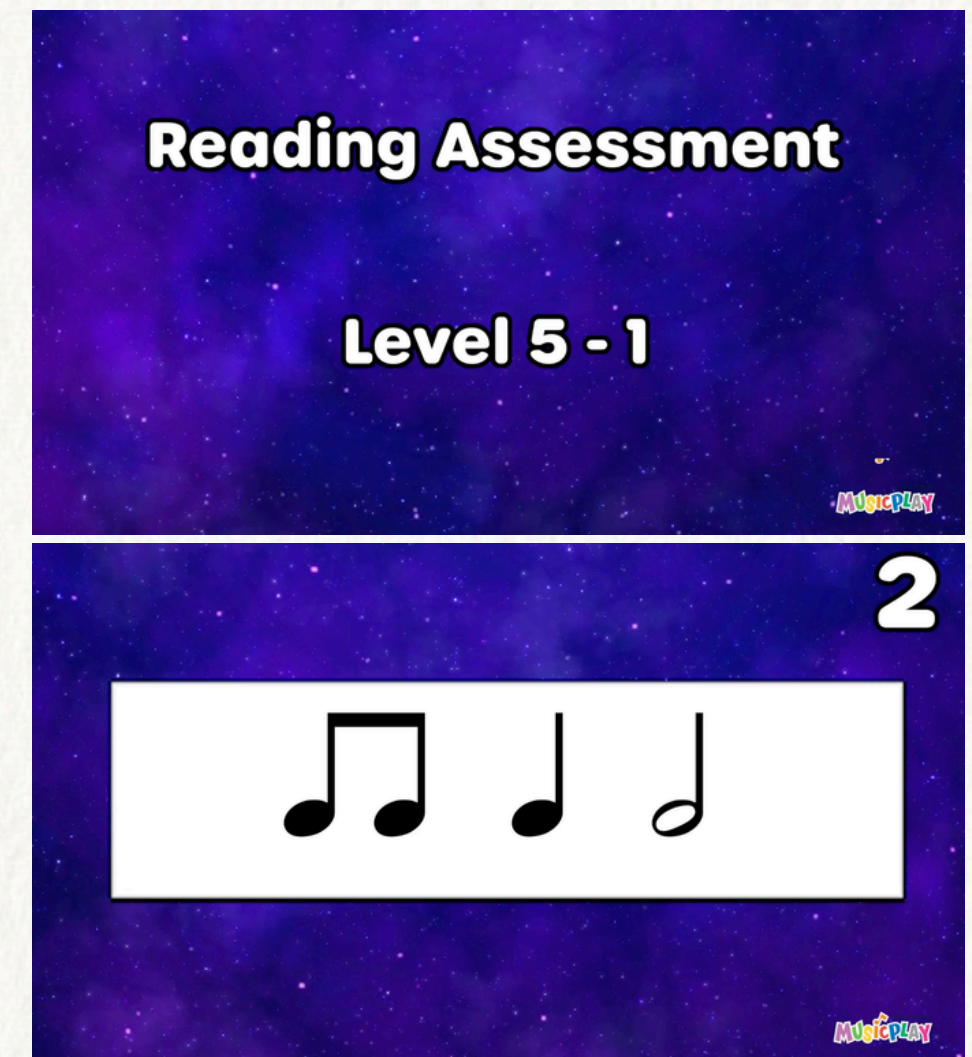
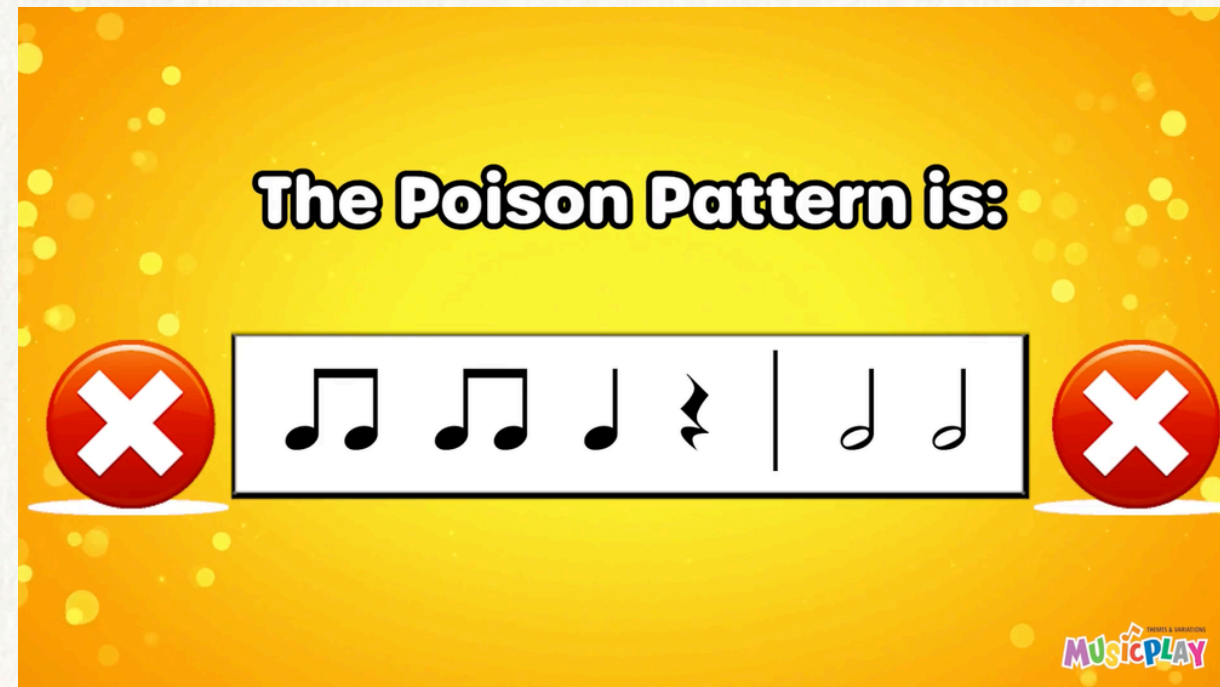
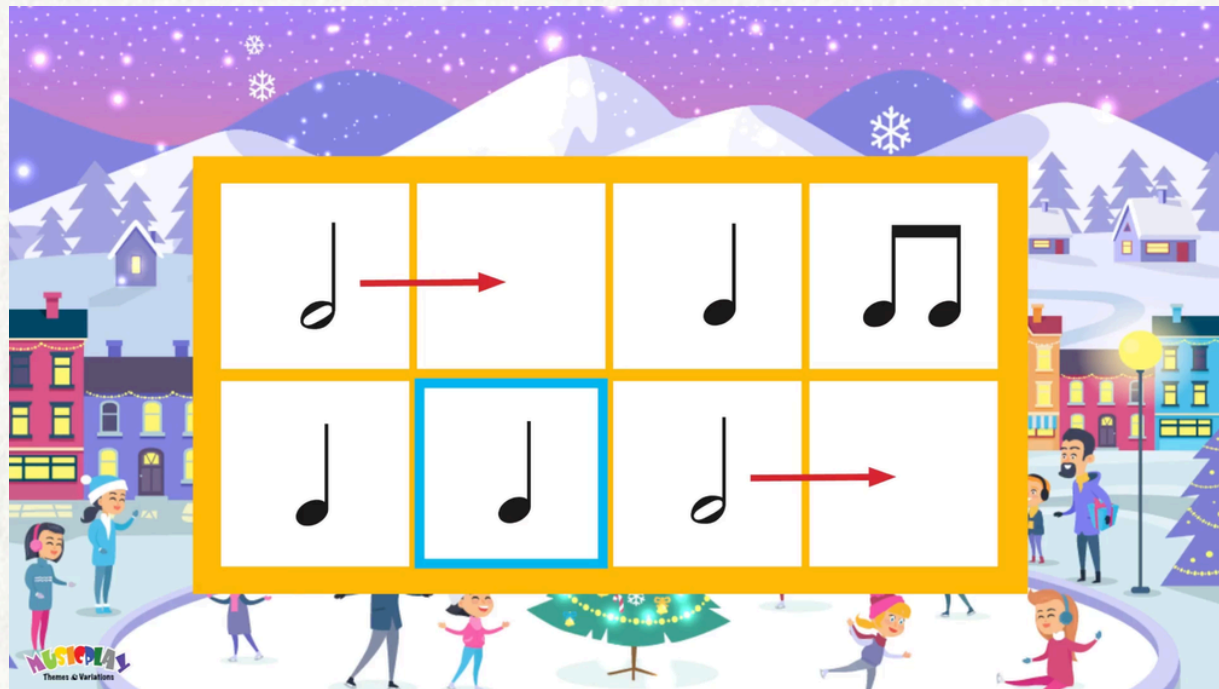
The image shows a musical score for 'Ode to Joy' on a Ukulele. It features three staves of music with colored notes (yellow, green, blue, red) corresponding to the chords G, C, E, and F. A small diagram of a ukulele fretboard is included, showing the fingerings for these chords. The copyright notice at the bottom reads: '© 2019 Themes & Variations For use of www.musicplayonline.com subscribers only - any other use is prohibited - Page 1'.

The image shows a musical score for 'Ode to Joy' on a recorder. It features four staves of music with notes and lyrics. A small diagram of a recorder is included, showing the fingerings for the notes. The lyrics are: 'Star - light, star bright, first star I see to - night, Wish I may, wish I might, have the wish I wish to - night.'

The image shows a musical score for 'Ode to Joy' on a drum. It features two staves of music with notes and lyrics. A small diagram of a drum is included, showing the fingerings for the notes. The lyrics are: 'Star - light, star bright, first star I see to - night, Wish I may, wish I might, have the wish I wish to - night.'

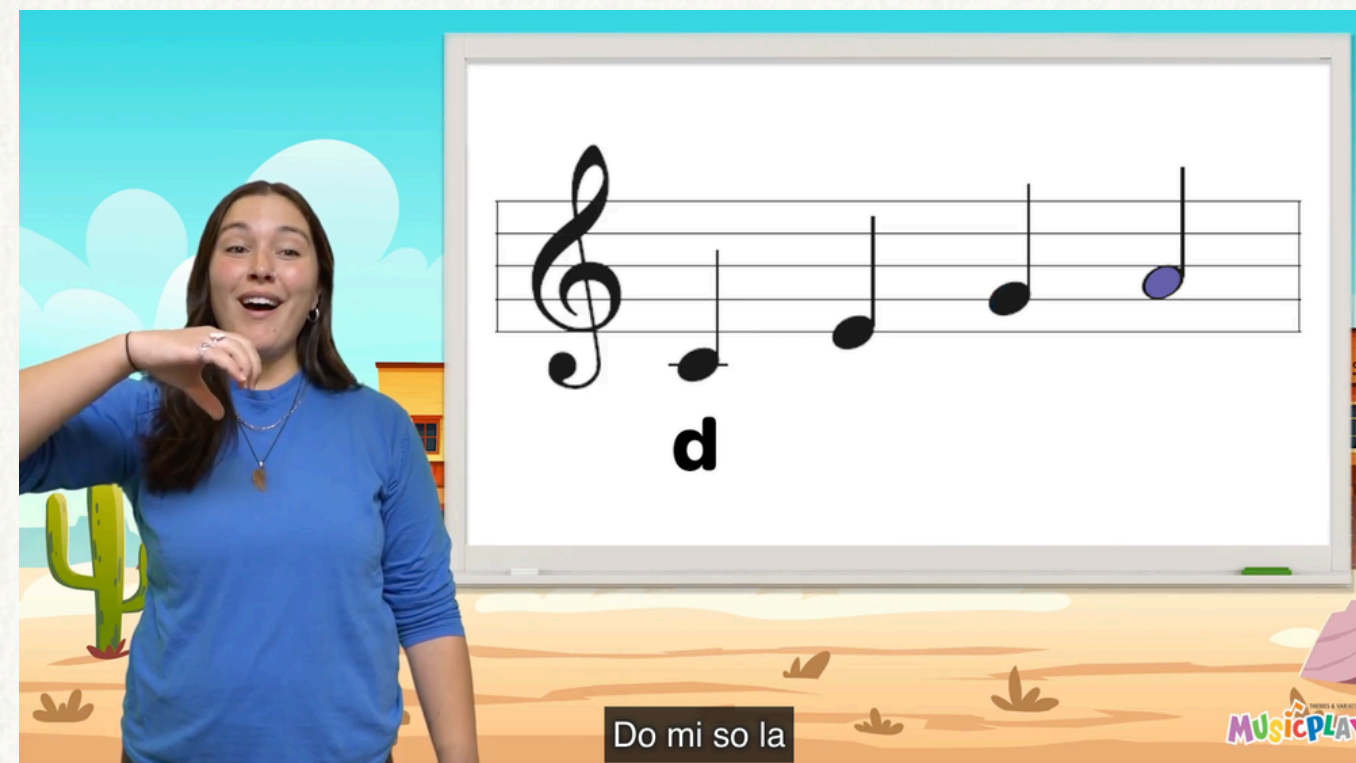
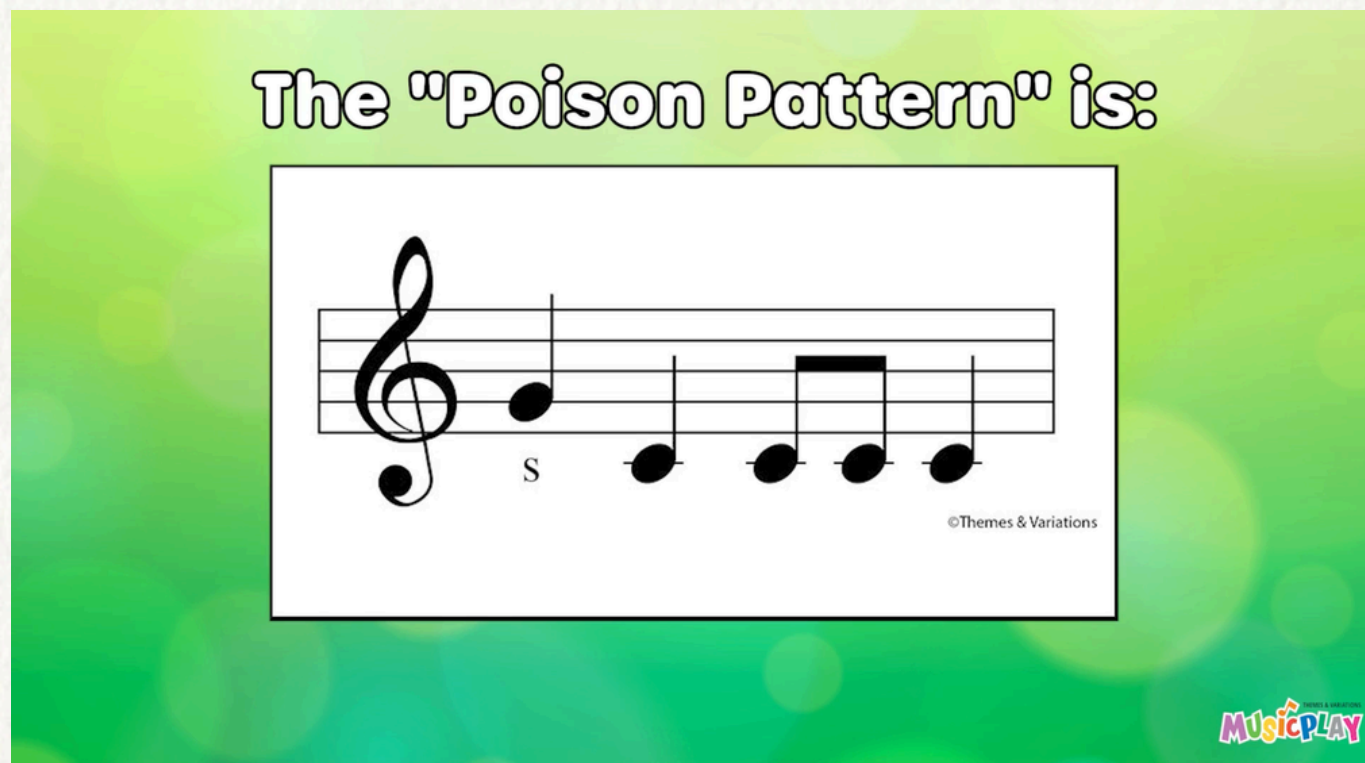
RHYTHM PRACTICE

- The Rhythm Practice section has resources for teaching and practicing specific rhythms.
- Each rhythmic component may include percussion videos, echo rhythms, games, assessments, and more.
- Tutorial video: [Watch here](#)



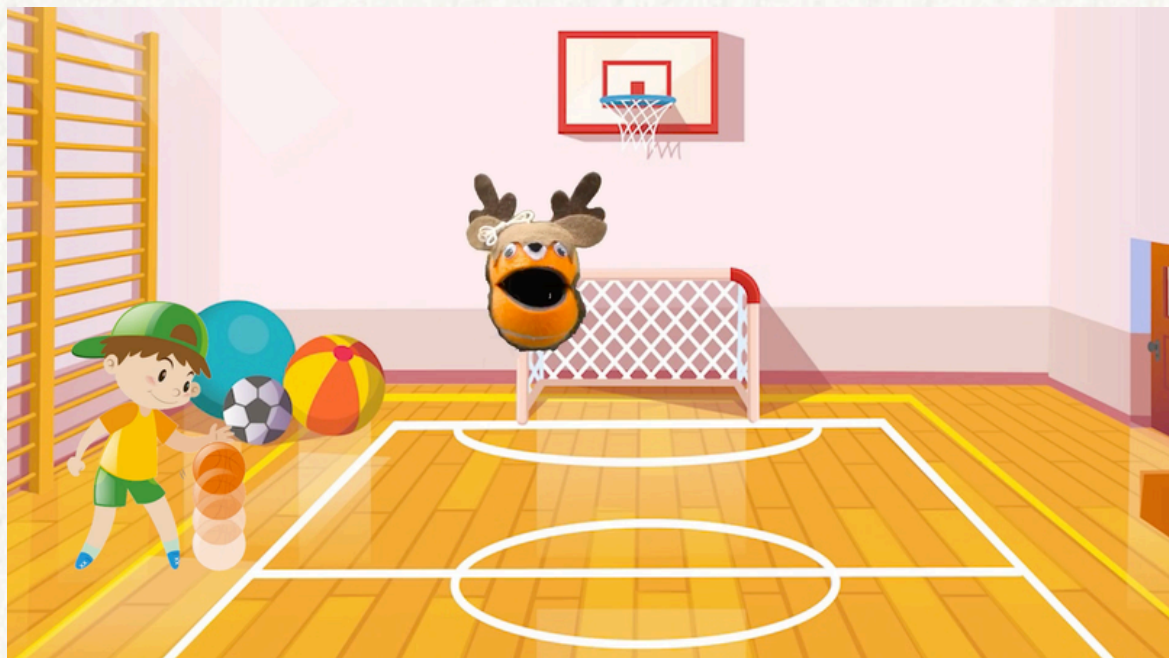
SOLFA PRACTICE

- The Solfa Practice section has resources for specific tone sets in the Solfege method.
- Each tone set may include videos, echo singing, notation, games, flashcards, and assessments.
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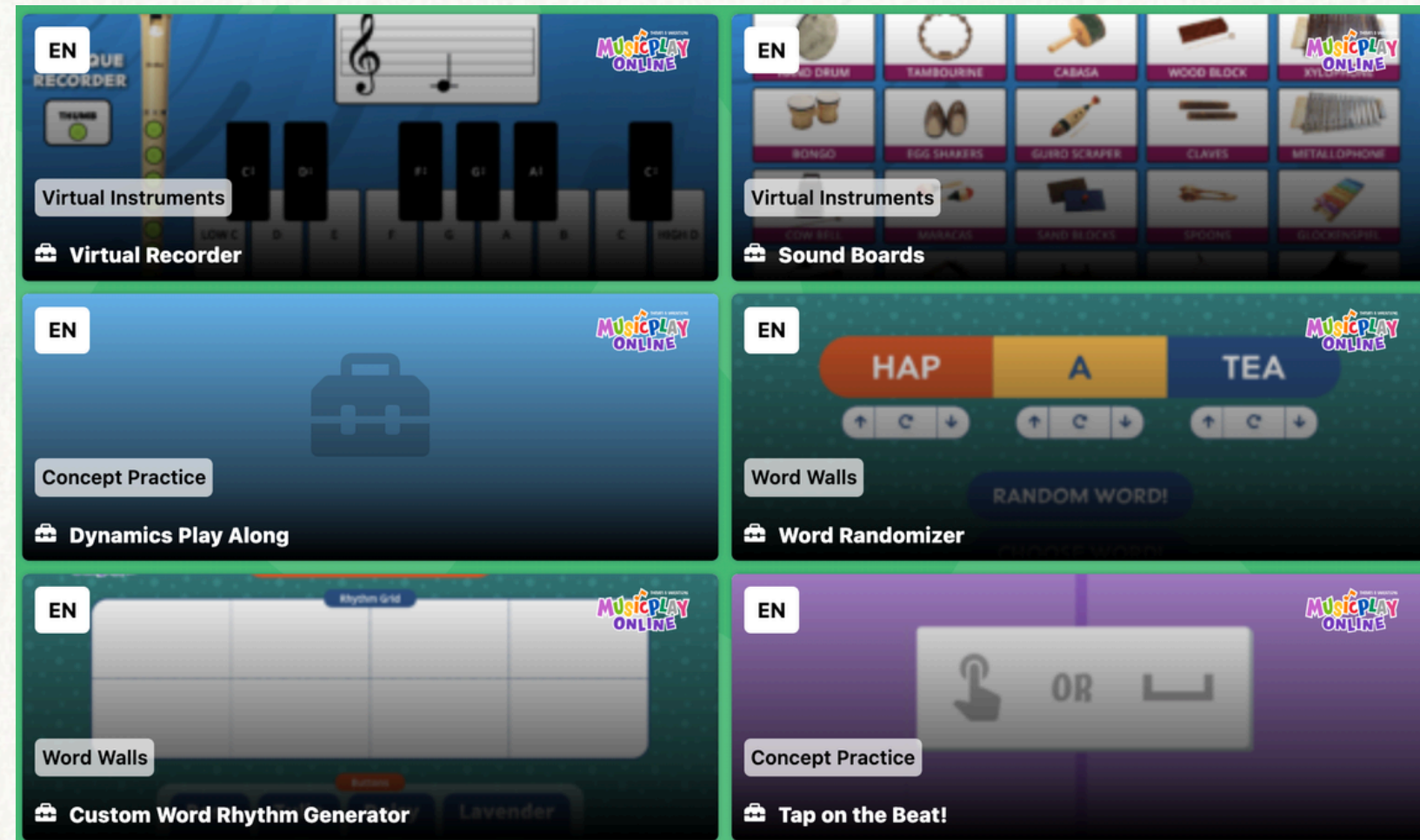
VOCAL WARM-UPS

- The Vocal Warmups section has resources to prepare student voices for singing.
- Includes Bobo the tennis ball activities: Bobo, Bobo with Tone Ladder, and Warmups.
- Yoga for Voice combines movement with vocal exercises.
- Each category offers multiple exercises.
- Tutorial video: [Watch here](#)



TOOLBOX

- The Toolbox has activities and resources to practice concepts from MusicplayOnline.
- Includes tools like tuners, metronome, and virtual instruments to support accurate playing and singing.
- Categories include:
 - Compose
 - Concept practice
 - Tuners
 - Virtual instruments
 - Visuals
 - Word walls
- Tutorial video: [Watch here](#)



DOCUMENTS

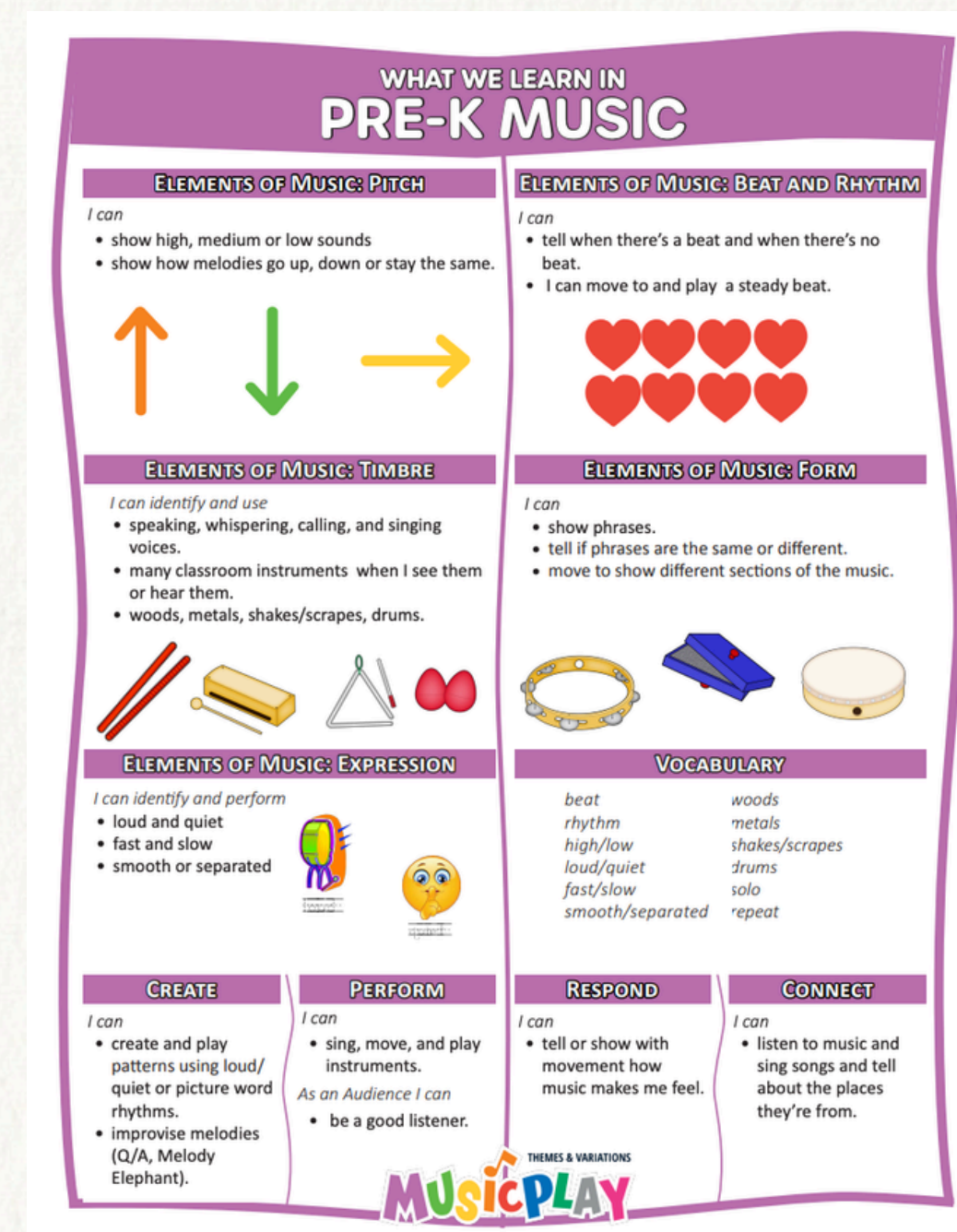
- The Documents section holds printable items like PDFs and word processor files.
- All items are listed if you scroll, but the list is very long.
- Best to search by document name or narrow down by category.
- Categories (left menu) include:
 - Flashcards
 - Lyric pages
 - Posters
 - Sheet music
 - Teacher notes
 - Worksheets
 - Assessments
- Tutorial video: [Watch here](#)

Media Category

- ☐ Audio
- ☐ Flashcards
- ☐ Lyric Pages
- ☐ Posters
- ☐ Production Guide
- ☐ Sheet Music
- ☐ Teacher Notes
- ☐ Teacher Resource
- ☐ worksheet
- ☐ Worksheets & Assessments

LESSON PLANNING

- Equity & Diversity: Statement + inclusive teaching guide
- Scope & Sequence / Year Plans: Concepts by grade, with/without song lists, editable versions
- Advocacy: Music benefits posters & videos (English & French)
- Substitute Plans: Pre-K–Gr.6, printable & editable
- Curriculum Correlations: Canada (limited provinces) & USA (Nat. Standards, select states)
- I Can Statements: Student-friendly concept posters
- Lesson Plans by Grade: Weekly plans, assessments, indexes, templates, standards correlations
- Tutorial Video: [Watch here](#)





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- Use the Add to My Lists button on eligible content to save it.
- Organize saved items into folders within My Lists.
- Can copy learning modules into My Lists to customize.
- Add links outside of Musicplay into your lessons.
- Add key words to make your lists searchable.

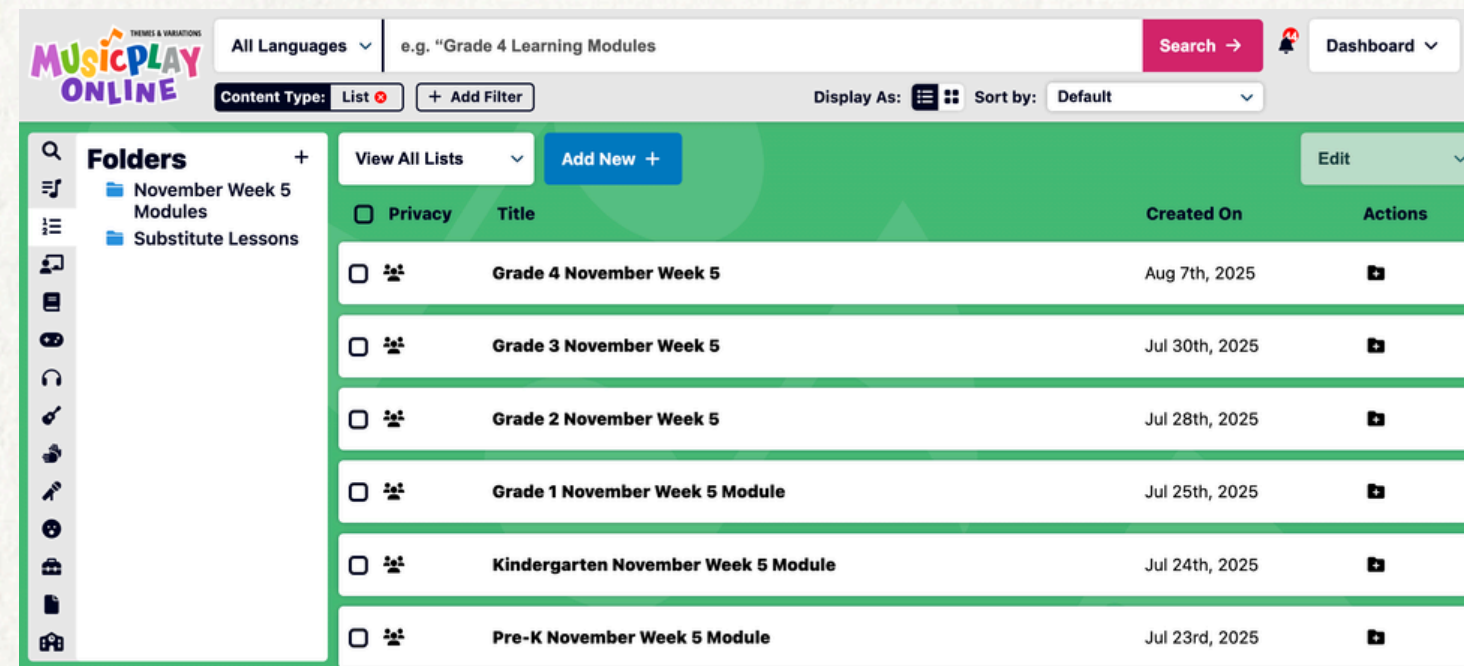
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MY LISTS

Let's build a "My List" together!

- Grade 1 Songs for teaching Quarter Note, Pair of Eighth Notes, and Quarter Rest
- We want to be able to share our list with another teacher
- We will use the search tool to find appropriate song choices.
- We will include some extra practice ideas.





TEACHER TIPS!

ALTERNATE VIDEO SOURCE

If you see an error message when opening a video:

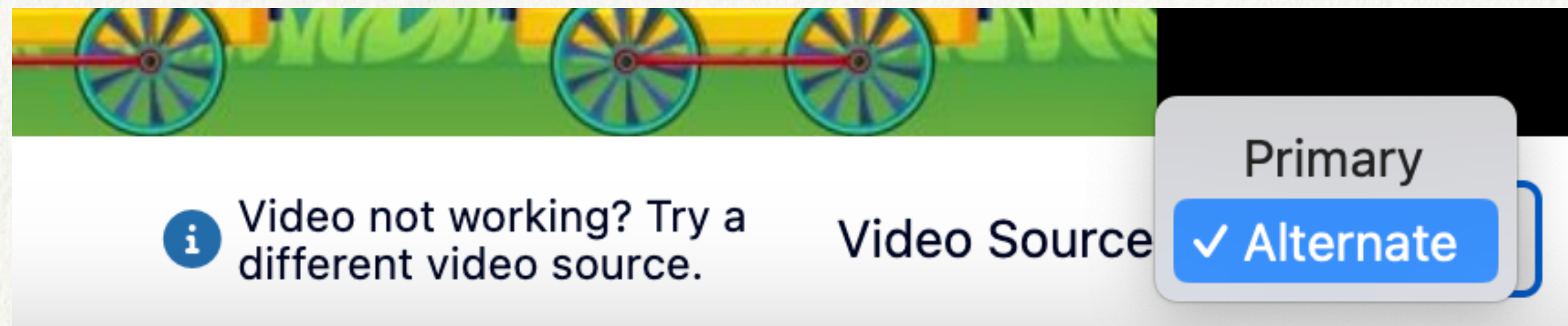
- Go to the bottom right corner of the video
- Change the source from “Primary” to “Alternate”



Open Fullscreen [] Loop Video [] Copy Link []

 Video not working? Try a different video source.

Video Source: Alternate ▾



DOWNLOADING ACCOMPANIMENT TRACKS

Themes(s): Winter Grades(s): General Extra Details +

Audio Tracks

Vocal Track

Accompaniment Track

0:00 / 3:23

Download icon (circled in red)

Downloading Accompaniment Tracks:

- Under “Audio Tracks”, select “Accompaniment Track”
- Click the down arrow
- Or, click the three vertical dots and select “Download”

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Playback speed

VIDEO LOOPING

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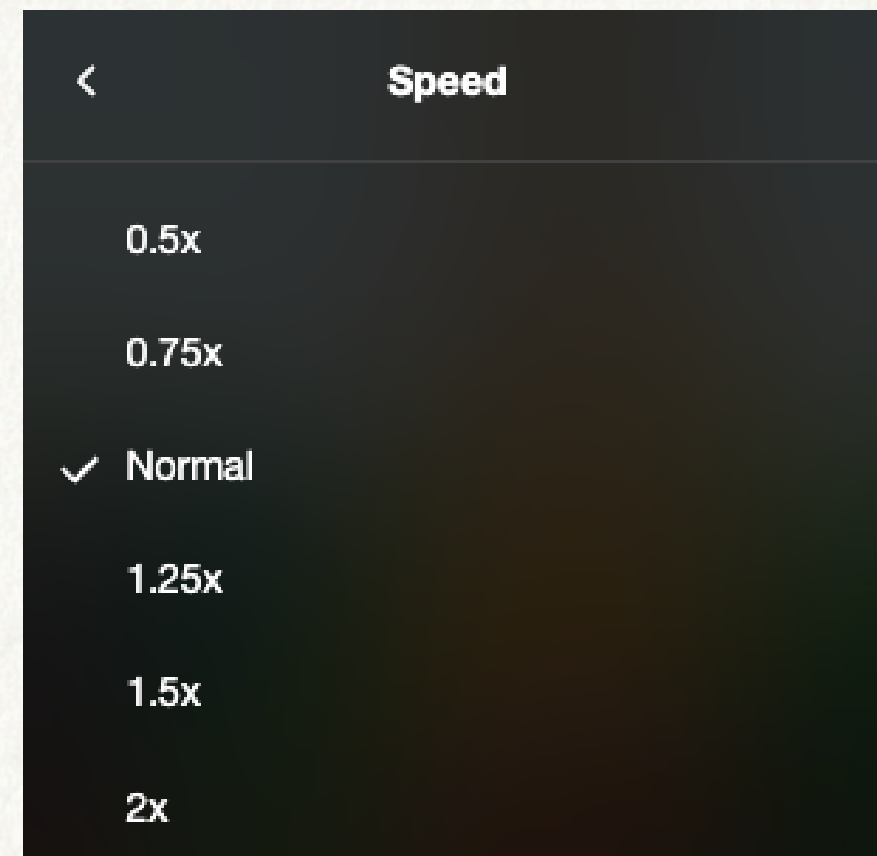
- To repeat a video for a game or activity, click “Enable Loop” in the bottom left of the video menu.



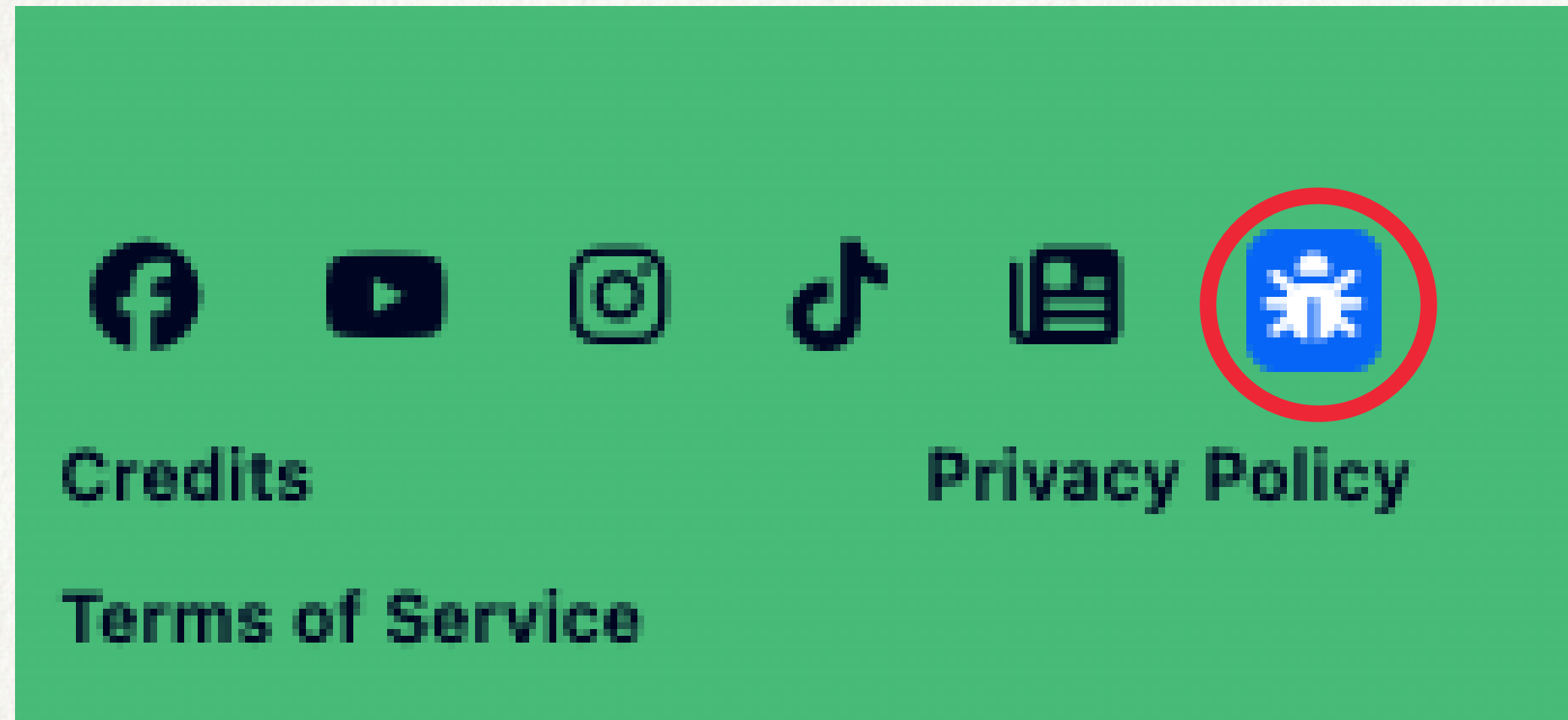
VIDEO SPEED/TEMPO

Video Speed/Tempo:

- Click “Settings” (gear icon).
- Select “Speed”.
- Choose your desired speed.



BUG REPORTS



- This will link you to our help section.
- Can contact support with any questions.
- Can give content suggestions.

ZOOM IN AND OUT

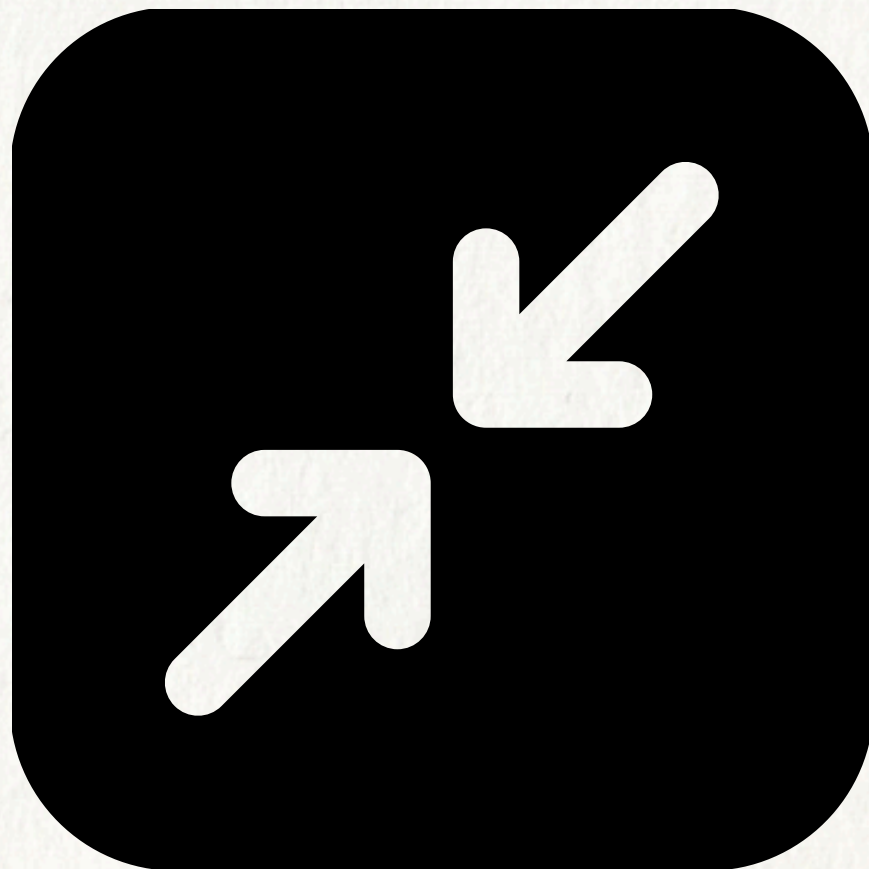


How to Zoom:

Zoom in - press Ctrl + (Cmd on Mac)

Zoom out - press Ctrl - (Cmd on Mac)

Reset - press Ctrl 0 (Cmd on Mac)





HOMEWORK!

- Pick a Few Favourite Games
- Explore ONE new section
- Save Things You Love to “My Lists”
- Join Musicplay Teachers Facebook

TEACHER SUPPORT

Website Support:

- <https://help.musicplay.ca/>
- support@musicplay.ca

Pedagogical Support:

- stacy@musicplay.ca



DENISE GAGNE MEMORIAL SOCIETY



Classroom Materials Grant
Now accepting applications!



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