

# TRICKS, TREATS, AND TUNES:

Fall Music Activities for Elementary Students



# GOALS FOR TODAY...

1. Discover how to find and use seasonal resources on MusicplayOnline.
2. Explore Halloween- and fall-themed songs, games, and activities that build musical skills while keeping learning fun and inclusive.
3. Learn ways to adapt and modify seasonal activities to ensure full participation for all students, including secular options.
4. Gain ready-to-use lesson ideas and strategies for incorporating rhythm, melody, and creative opportunities for various grade levels.

# HOW TO FIND SEASONAL RESOURCES...

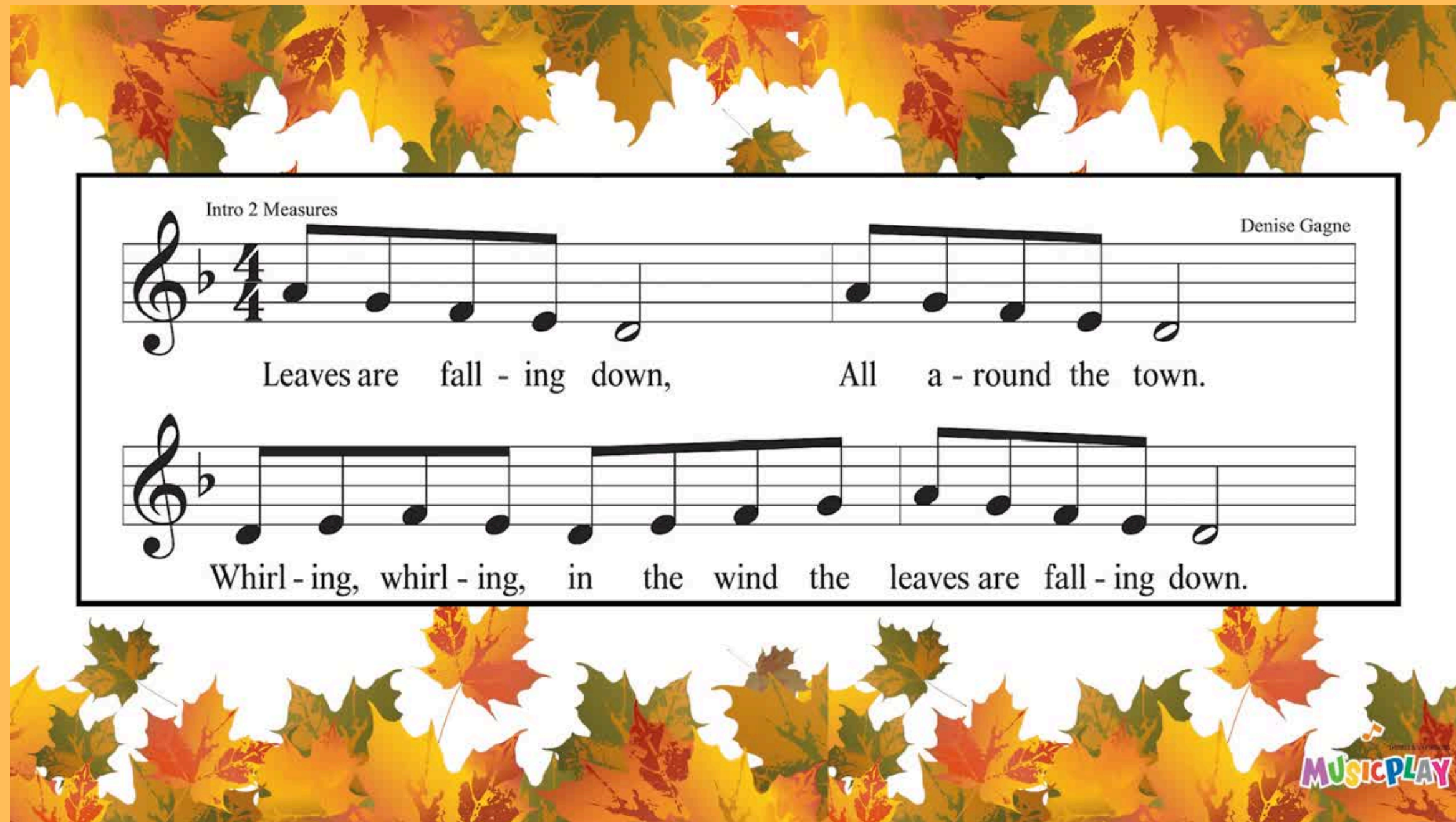
- Jump Into a Collection from the Landing Page:
  - Select a Collection, then “Seasonal”
  - Can use filters to narrow it down
- Units Section:
  - Festivals and Holidays
- Search Tool
  - Use the filters to narrow down your search
  - Use the language filter located to the left of the search bar.

# MOVEMENT SONGS AND ACTIVITIES





# FALL LEAVES



Intro 2 Measures

Denise Gagne

Leaves are fall - ing down, All a - round the town.

Whirl - ing, whirl - ing, in the wind the leaves are fall - ing down.

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# AUTUMN - VIVALDI



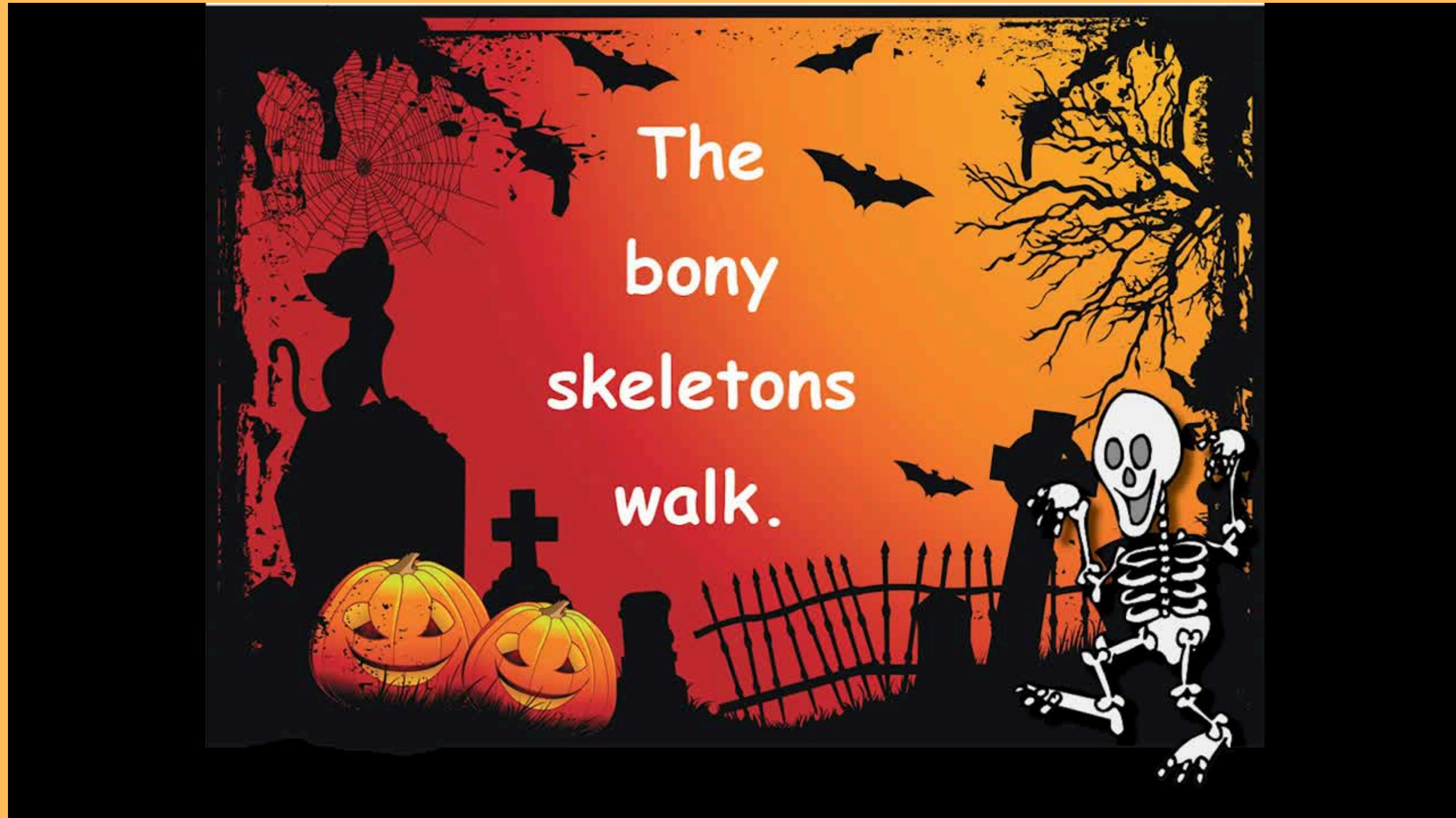


# AUTUMN - VIVALDI





# BONEY SKELETONS





# LAZY BONES



Lazy Bones - Musicplay General Songs

# HALLOWEEN LOOBY LOO



**Halloween Looby Loo - Kindergarten Song #35**



# IN THE HALL OF THE MOUNTAIN KING: SEVENS!

## Sevens

### In the Hall of the Mountain King

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Pattern 1: pat pat pat pat pat pat pat 2x

Pattern 2: pat clap pat clap pat clap pat 2x

Pattern 3: pat clap snap pat clap snap pat 2x

Pattern 4: pat cross pat clap snap clap pat 2x

Pattern 3: pat clap snap pat clap snap pat 2x

Pattern 2: pat clap pat clap pat clap pat 2x

Pattern 1: pat pat pat pat pat pat pat 2x

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# GHOST OF TOM

18. Ghost of Tom 2

1. Traditional

Have you seen the ghost of Tom?

2.

Long white bones with the flesh all gone, ———

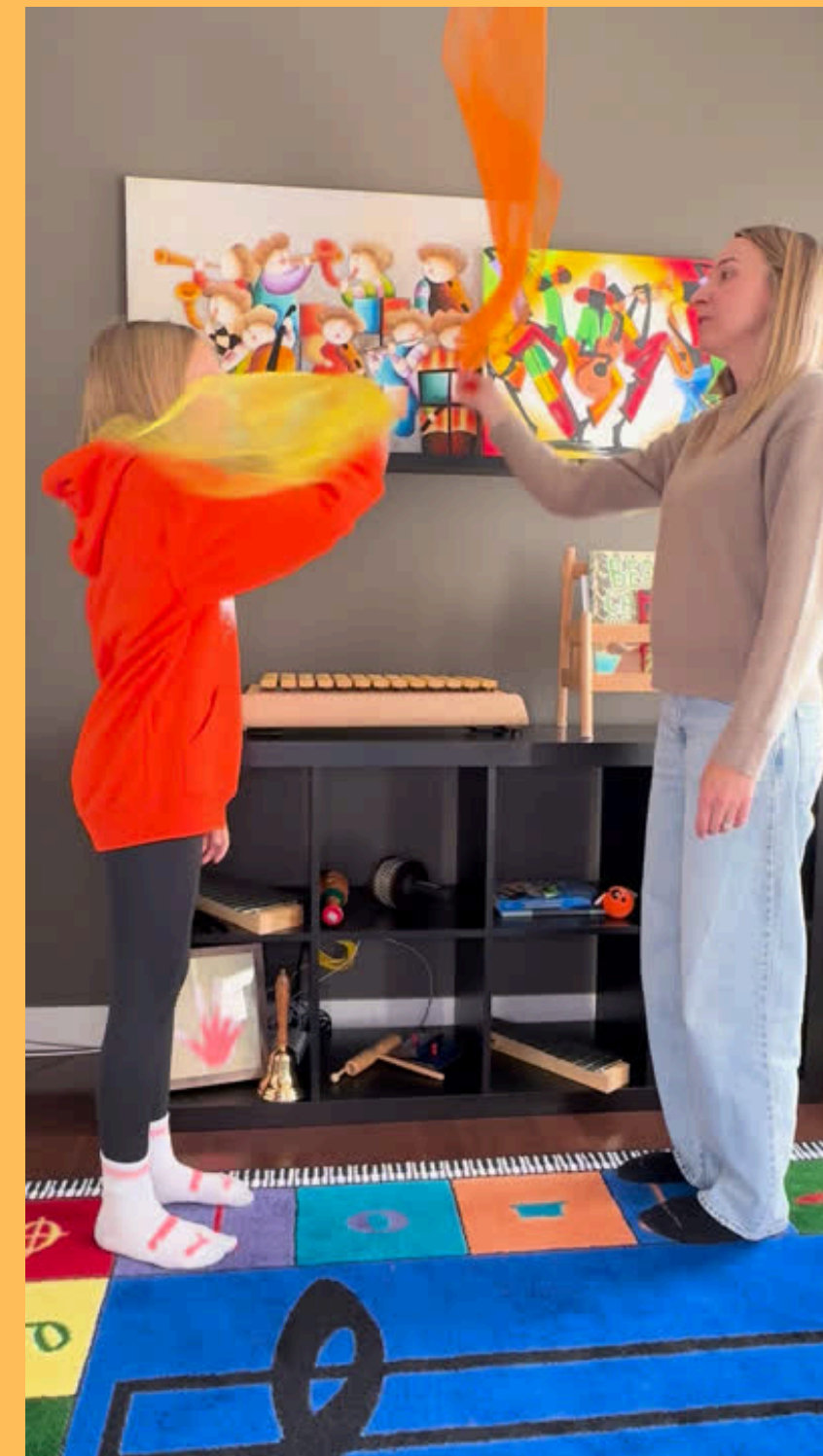
3.

Ooo ———

4.

Would- n't it be chill - y with no skin on?

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# SINGING GAMES



# FIVE FAT TURKEYS

## Five Fat Turkeys

Traditional

Five fat tur - keys are we. We  
slept all night in a tree. When the  
cook came a - round we could - n't be found, so  
that's why we're here you see!

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and common time. The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff ends with a fermata over the word 'we'. The second staff ends with a fermata over the word 'tree'. The third staff ends with a fermata over the word 'found'. The fourth staff ends with a double bar line.

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# PUMPKIN PIE



## Teacher Tips:

- Use beanbags if you don't have pumpkins.
- Use more pumpkins!



# PASS THE BROOM



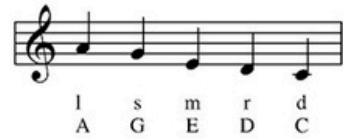
## Teacher Tips:

- Use 2 circles and 2 brooms.
- When the music stops, students with brooms go to other circle!



# PASS THE PUMPKIN

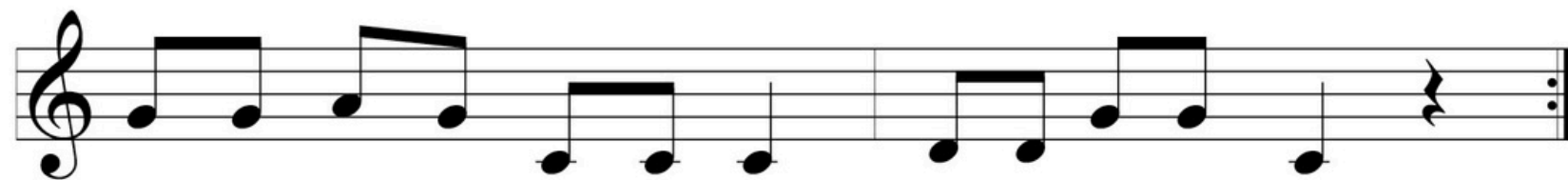
## Pass the Pumpkin



Traditional



Pass the pump-kin 'round the room. Keep the beat while pass - ing.



When it stops you take a turn. Clap it if you can!



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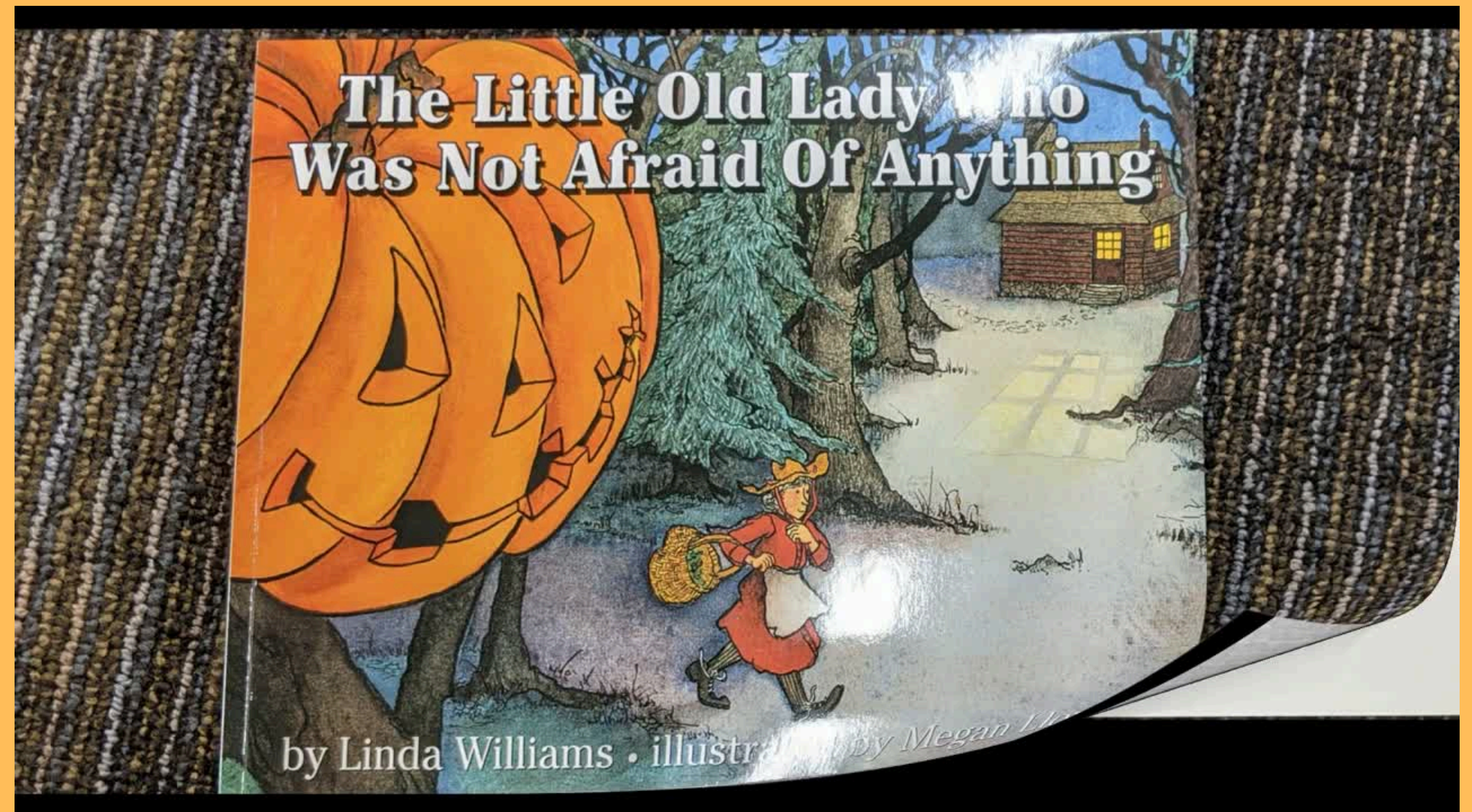


# INSTRUMENTS





# THE LITTLE OLD LADY WHO WAS NOT AFRAID OF ANYTHING



***Thank You Ms. Jackson Music for your video submission!***



# SKIN AND BONES - DIV 1

*Skin and Bones*

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Traditional

There was an old wom-an all skin and bones.

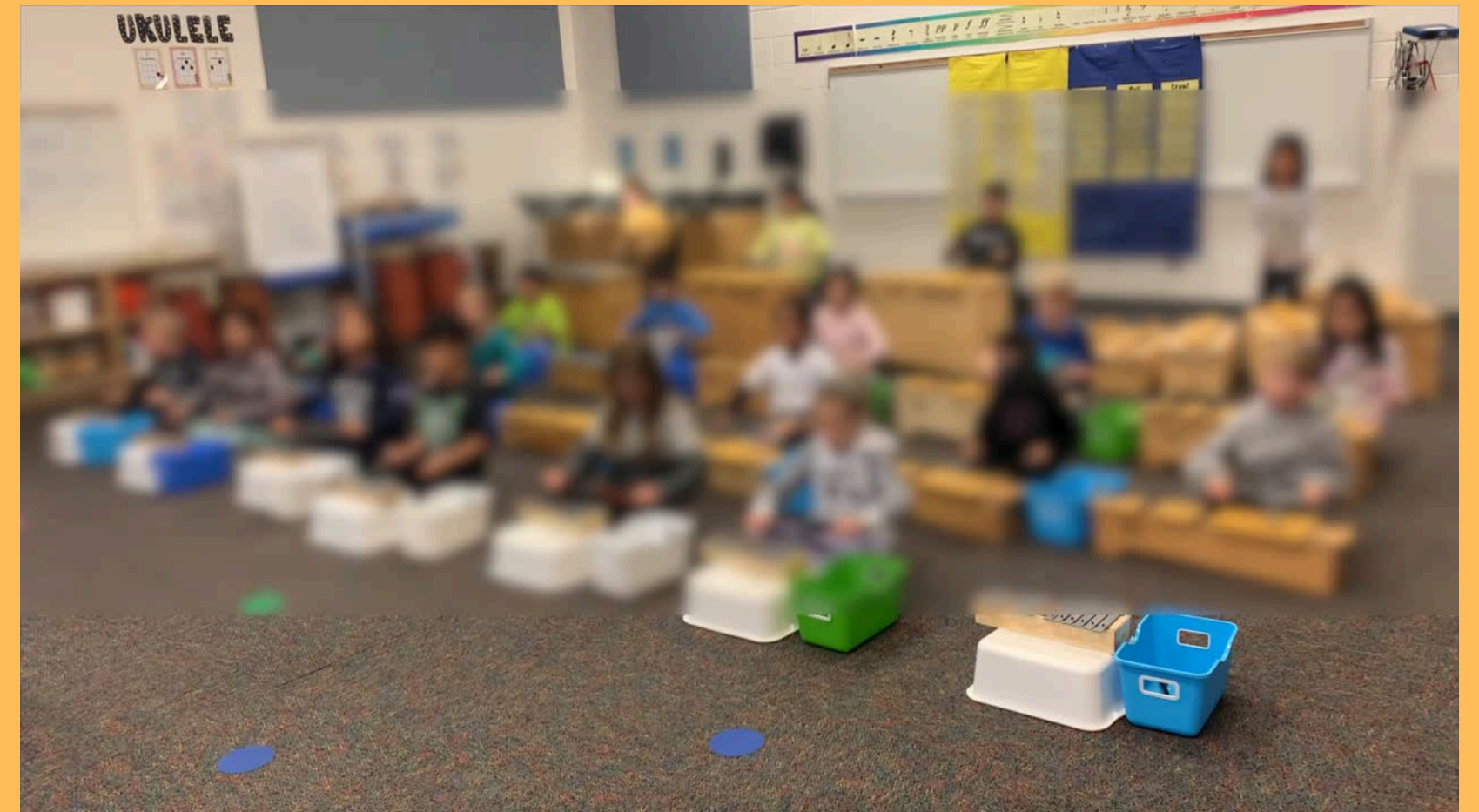
Ooo.\_\_\_\_\_ She

lived down by the old grave - yard.

Ooo.\_\_\_\_\_ One

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## Playing on Orff Instruments:

- Play a tremolo on "E"
- On "Ooo" play BAG E



# SKIN AND BONES - DIV 2

## Playing on Orff Instruments:

- Try the Orff arrangement
- On "Ooo" play BAG E on Recorders



## 21. Old Woman All Skin and Bones

Traditional

There was an old wom - an all skin and bones.

SG

claves

BX

Ooo.

SG





claves






BX






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# HALLOWEEN TREAT RONDO






Treat - Rondo


























Halloween - Apples Theme









Can - dy ap - ples, oh, so sweet. Give me some - thing good to eat.  
Hallo - ween ap - ples, trick or treat.

B:



C:



Butterfinger

Nerds

Kisses

Skittles

Kitkat


Snickers

Life Savers

Twix

M&M's

Twizzlers





# HALLOWEEN TREAT RONDO

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

## Treat Rondo

To do: Match the rhythm to the treat.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

## Treat Rondo

Can - dy up - glo, oh, so sweet. Give me some - thing good to eat.  
Halloween up - glo, trick or treat.

To do: Choose treats to create a word rhythm. Write the treat name in the box. Choose instruments to play your rhythm. You can use a treat more than once. Sing the song as theme (A) and the treat rhythms as a B or C section.

B

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C

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Available as a  
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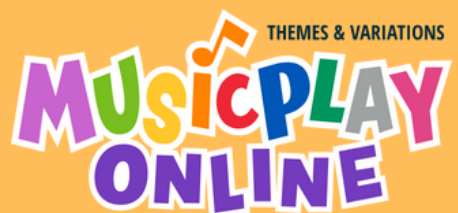


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Denise Gagné  
Memorial Society





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**January 30<sup>th</sup> - Illinois MEA**

**February 1<sup>st</sup> - Ohio MEA**

**February 13<sup>th</sup> - Texas MEA**

**February 20<sup>th</sup> - Maryland MEA**

**April 2026 - Passages 2025 (Orff National Conference)**





# QUESTIONS?

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