Music Literacy In Action: Setting the Foundation for Joyful Music Making



Welcome! Please find a seat and introduce yourself to the people around you.

Feel free to ask this ice breaker question: "Who is your favorite composer and why? What is your favorite piece of music that the composer wrote?"



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Setting the Foundation for Joyful Music Making



Terms



"Heartbeat is the steady pulse." (Aaron Snell)



Rhythm

"Rhythm is the pattern of the words." (Aaron Snell)

Solfege

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- Do, re, mi, fa, so, la, ti
 - The melodic relationship between notes

Melody

The way the song goes

Zoltán Kodály

- He was a Hungarian composer/music teacher.
- He revolutionized Hungarian music education by using historical songs of his culture to teach children how to be musically literate.
- His primary emphasis was on singing.



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> This is my graduating class from the CSMI program at NSA.



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Kodály's Singing-Focused Educational Approach



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Preparation

- Physical
- Aural
- visual



Presentation/Making Conscious

• This is the moment when the student is given the name of a particular concept.

Practice

- Reading
- Writing
- part-work

- Improvisation
- Memorization











"You're doing one thing 100 different ways." (Sarah Davis)





Enforcing Steady Beat













Titi





Titi







Tika-ti





- Have groups pat the heartbeat (steady pulse) and tap the rhythm (the pattern of the words).
- "What words did our hands clap faster on, that we sang really close together?"
- Students describe the rhythm using slow and fast words.
- NOTICE: KNOWN TO UNKNOWN!





Lou, Lou, Skip to my lou Lou, Lou, Skip to my lou Lou, Lou, Skip to my lou Skip to my lou my darlin'

