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# **About this book:**

Sing Together is collaborative project created by Wade Richards and Megan Resig in an effort to encourage music therapists to share their original songs with other music therapists who are looking for new music and therapeutic strategies to incorporate into their sessions. Each songbook in this series contains original work that focuses on a specific theme and shares creative ideas for developing the song into a greater therapeutic experience.

*Greetings and Goodbyes* offer a selection of work centered around opening and closing a session. Many therapists utilize opening and closing experiences to help their clients transition in and out of the music therapy session or group setting. This is also an opportunity for clients to work on valuable social skills such as using appropriate greetings, decision making, asking questions, maintaining eye contact, and communicating with others.

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**Are You Ready For The Weekend** 

Song by Josh Hauck

#### About the Song

Are Your Ready For The Weekend is a song that can be used near the end of the week with students. Students can talk about and share their plans for a fun weekend. There is a place in the song to include each student's name and their plans. Instruments like shakers, drums, claves, guitars, and a keyboard are recommended for this upbeat blues song. When using pitched percussion instruments or Orff instruments, the song could be transposed to D major to incorporate a pentatonic blues scale. You can remove unnecessary bars so students can freely improvise along with the song. You can do this by setting up the instrument with the following bars:

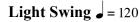
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#### **Extending the Experience**

• Therapists can pull out a calendar and ask students to write in their events. Students can then see everyone's plans and follow-up questions can be encouraged. This is a great method for students to learn about organization, managing their schedule, and socializing with others.

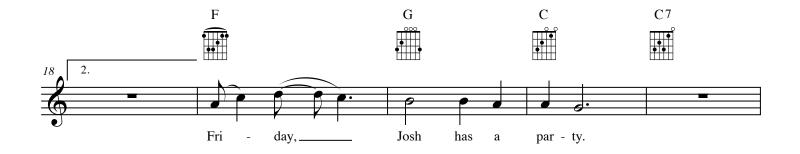
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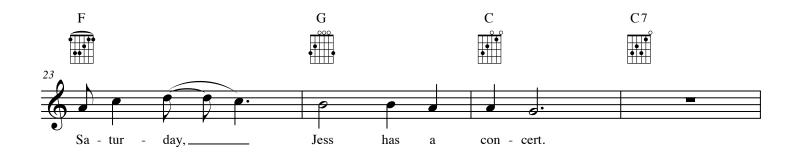
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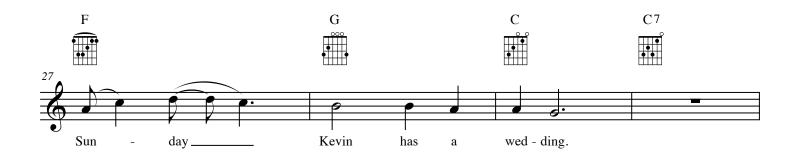


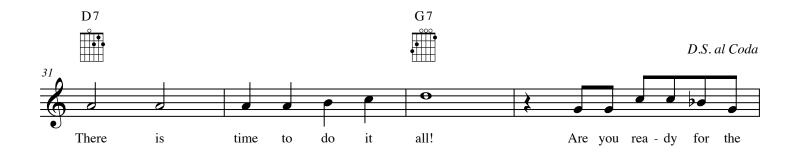


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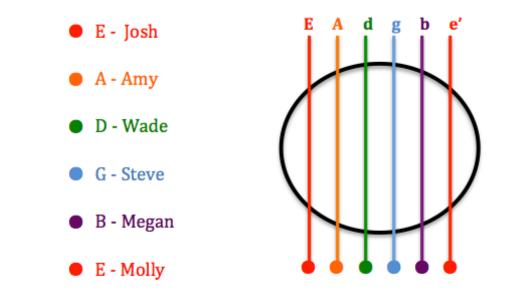


### **Brand New Circle of Friends**

Song by Josh Hauck

#### **About the Song**

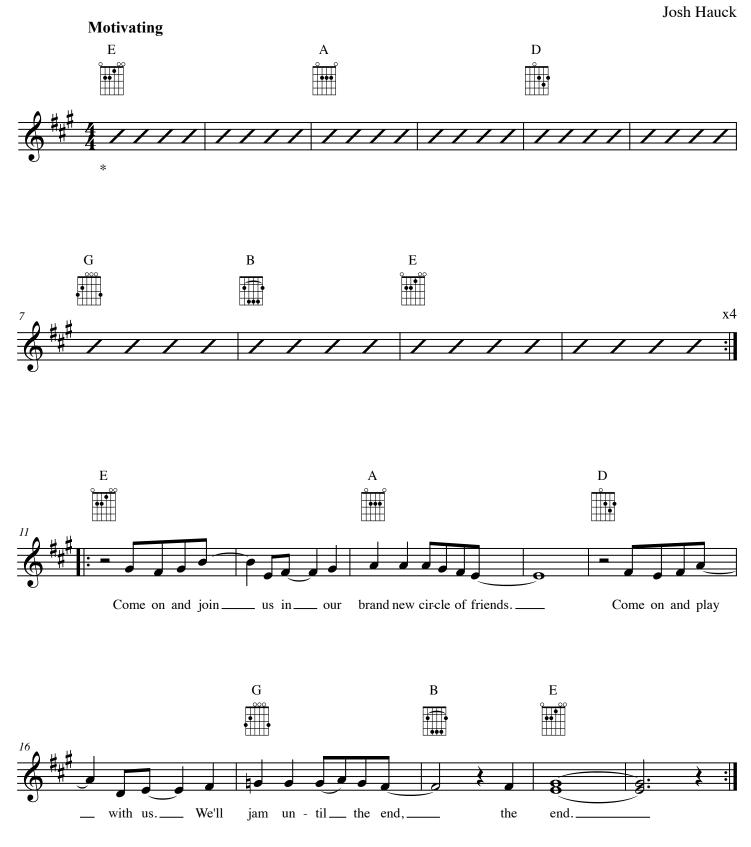
When writing *Brand New Circle of Friends*, I discovered that the standard pitches of guitar tuning (E-A-d-g-b-e') could be used to outline the following chord progression: Emaj, Amaj, Dmaj, Gmaj, Bmaj, and Emaj. Students can be assigned to play one of the strings within the song. The chord progression follows each guitar string from low E to high e'. Before the song is performed, the instructor could use a visual chart (like the one below) to assign each person the string they will be playing. If you have a group with more than 6 guitarists, the other students could take turns cueing the players.



### **Extending the Experience**

- You could also open tune each guitar to one of the chords within the song.
- Add an improvisation section to the song by having students improvise rhythms, either on their assigned string, their open-tuned chord, or the strings in standard tuning.
- If you don't have enough guitars available, you could substitute with handbells, tone chimes, or resonator bells.
- You could temporarily add colored stickers to assist a student visually with finding their assigned string.
- Have all guitarists play the sequence of notes, from low to high, as you play through the song. This is a great warmup activity for students to connect with the guitar before moving on to other guitar ensemble activities.

### Brand New Circle of Friends



<sup>\*</sup> Let students pluck each guitar string in ascending order as the progression plays through

## **Come On & Get Ready**

Song by Amy Kalas

#### **About the Song**

Come On & Get Ready is a greeting song specifically geared towards teenagers who might act like they are "too cool for school." Teens can be encouraged to move around the room to say hello and greet each other according to the lyrics (high five, fist pump, or peace sign).

### **Extending the Experience**

- Pass out hand drums for students to play and move around the room. As they pass by each other, have them play each other's drum or insert new lyrics and play during that phrase- "because <u>drumming</u> is a cool way to say hello".
- Have the group suggest other cool and appropriate ways to say hello. Inserted these ideas into the song.

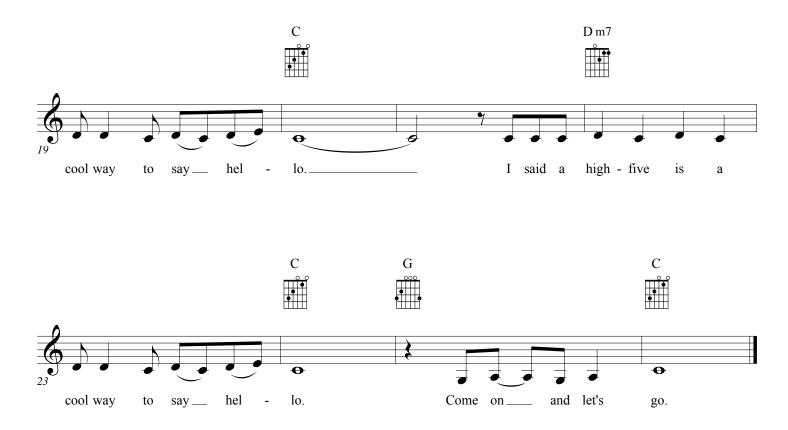
### Come On & Get Ready

Amy J. Kalas



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#### Come On & Get Ready



# **Everybody Clap Your Hands**

Song by Megan Resig

### **About the Song**

*Everybody Clap Your Hands* is a song that I wrote for some of my younger children's groups. When I first started working with young children in the classroom setting, I quickly learned that getting everyone's attention and keeping them on-task was no easy feat! My go-to trick for corralling a group of kids is to immediately start the session with directed movement. Having them follow physical directions with their body gets them focused and ready to listen.

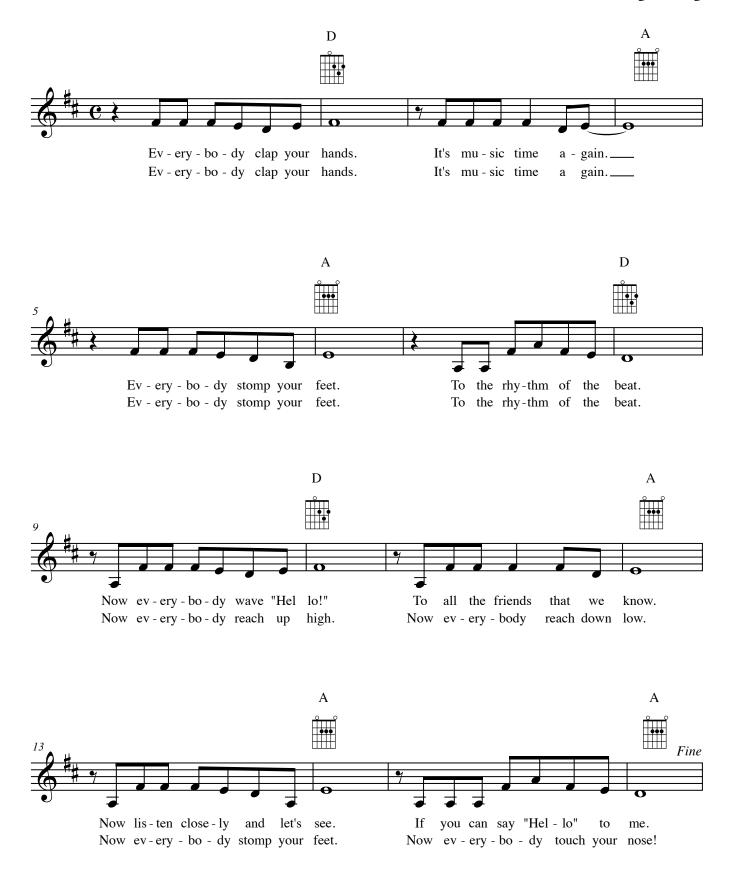
Like many hello songs, this song also includes a section for kids to practice giving appropriate greetings when asked. This section can be shortened or lengthened depending on how many group members you have.

### **Extending the Experience**

• One thing I like to add in is a musical version of the game "Simon Says". Since this is a very simple 2-chord song, it's easy to sing out the directions while switching between chords. Changing up the directions during play is a great way to see if everyone is paying attention and also address focus and impulse control.

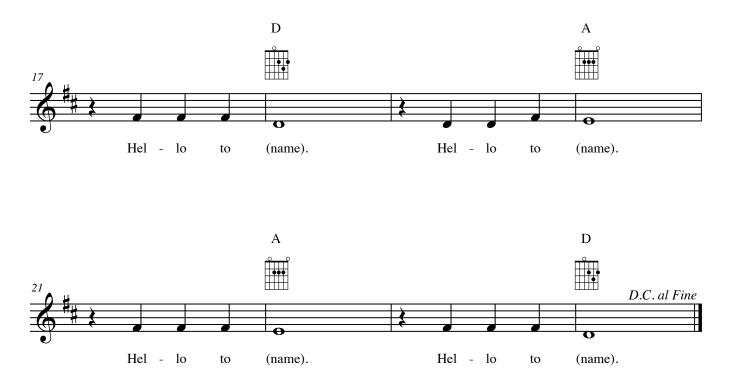
### Everybody Clap Your Hands

Megan Resig



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#### Everybody Clap Your Hands



### **Green Alligator** Song by Wade Richards

### About the Song

This is a fun song to use as an opener with a group of young children. They never seem to grow tired of it! I always teach the movements to the song the first few times with the following instructions:

1. Make your own alligator by putting your hands together like a big alligator mouth. Your alligator can have big teeth or small teeth.

2. Point to your head for "I wish I had something to do!".

3. Pretend you are playing a guitar like me during "I like to play a guitar and sing a tune".

4. Pat your knees on the beat during "music, music, that's what I like".

### **Extending the Experience**

• Incorporate sign language for words like:

green, alligator, water, blue, guitar, music, me, like

- Change the alligator to another friend: "there was a friendly green frog in a pond of blue".
- Ask for alternatives to patting on the beat- for example, pat and clap.
- Sing about a different instrument instead of guitar, like piano or drum. For example, "I like to play the drum and sing a tune".

### Green Alligator

Wade M. Richards



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#### **About the Song**

*Goodbye* is a calm and simple farewell song that can be sung by both students and therapists. The song provides five different ways of saying goodbye: goodbye, farewell, so long, adieu, and ta ta. The lyrics have short phrases that include words that rhyme with each goodbye word. These rhymes include: "fly - goodbye", "swell - farewell", "song - so long", "you - adieu", and "fa la - ta ta". At the end of the song, students can sing back each goodbye word as it is sung using call and response.

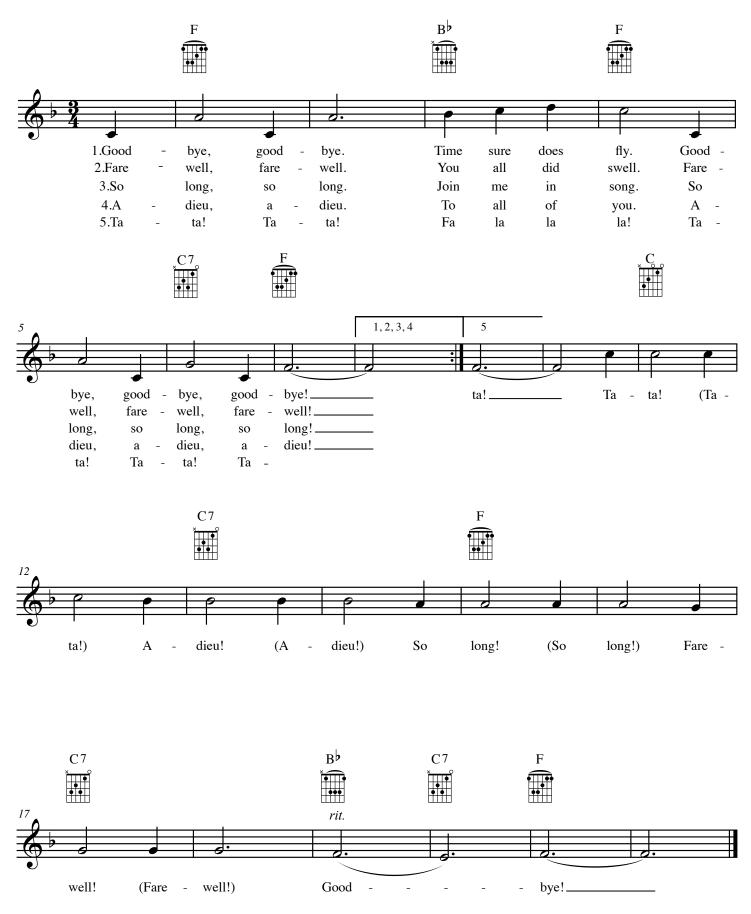
### **Extending the Experience**

- Select different students to sing each verse. The beginning of the verse can become a solo, (goodbye, goodbye, time sure did fly), while the end can be sung by the group (goodbye, goodbye, goodbye).
- Students could add harmony by exploring other notes within the chord; especially during the call and response section at the end.
- Each student could provide their own favorite goodbye word or phrase and add it to the song.

• The end of each verse where each goodbye word is repeated, (*farewell, farewell, farewell*), has a nice descending pattern of half-notes on A, G, & F. Have one student play this pattern on a glockenspiel, or divide the notes between three players on handbells or resonator bells.

# Goodbye

Josh Hauck



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## Hello World Song by Molly Phillips

#### **About the Song**

This is a great song for teens and young adults because of the heavy rock style. The same chord progression is repeated throughout the entire song, making it easy for students to add in an assigned instrument part.

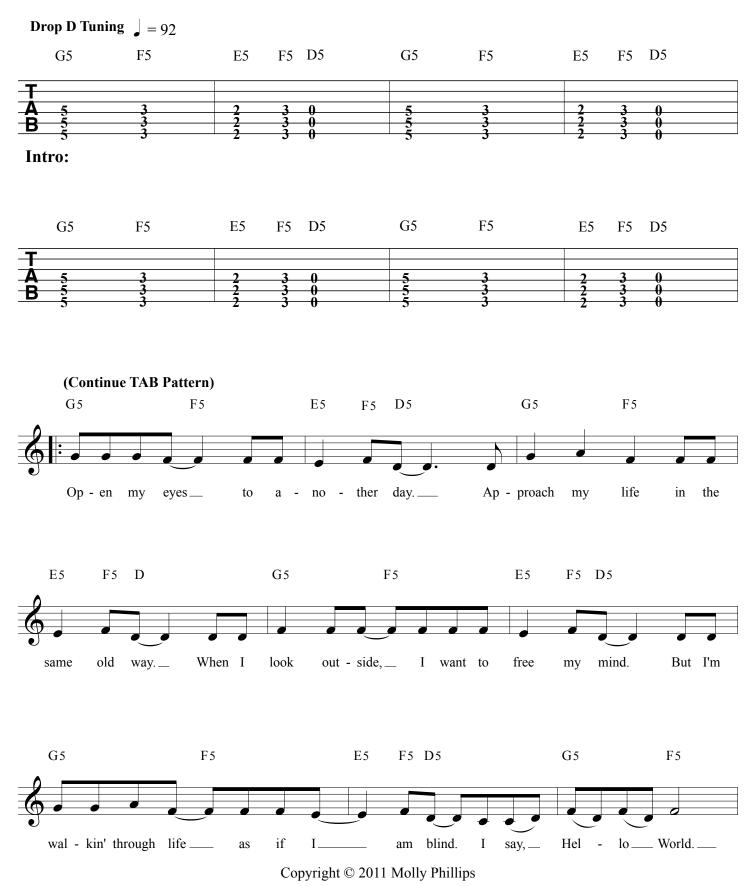
Hello World is a unique greeting song which focuses on the message of the song instead of having students take turns greeting each other. This song talks about waking up and facing the challenges of the day. Participants are then given the opportunity to share their individual challenges and how they are planning to face them. The group is then encouraged to support each other and share other ways to problem solve or manage the challenge.

### **Extending the Experience**

• Allow students to create new lyrics or improvise musically throughout the song.

### Hello World

Molly Phillips



Hello World



# In Music, I Welcome You

Song by Wade Richards

#### **About the Song**

For some groups I work with, I really enjoy opening the session with a variety of drums and percussion instruments. In Music, I Welcome You immediately engages each participant in instrument play while focusing on listening skills and impulse control. I pass out instruments to the group, or I place the instruments I want to use in the song in the center of the room for participants to choose. As the song begins, each person listens for the name of their instrument to be sung and then joins in. Before starting, I may give specific directions in the beginning like "play your instrument when I first sing it's name, and stop when I sing the name of a different instrument" or "once your instrument is named, keeping playing throughout the whole song". This way you decide if you would like to isolate instrument parts, or progressively add instrument sounds and layer them on top of each other.

This is a great opening song to use with percussion groups that have mastered playing steady beat and are ready to add another level of difficulty to their playing. The rhythmic complexity of the melody being sung by the soloist over the steady beat of the instruments can be a new challenge for some groups as they attempt to maintain their steady beat with the distractor. Another challenge for the group would be to add their voice to "in music, I welcome you" or "hey ya!" while continuing to play the steady beat on their instrument.

### **Extending the Experience**

• If passing out the same kind of instrument to everyone in the group, (ex. all drums or all shakers), then alter the lyrics to accommodate.

> Hear the fast rhythm of the drum. Hear the loud beating drum. Hear the soft sounds of the drum.

- Instead of only echo singing the "hey ya!" part in the coda, have the group echo sing it throughout the whole song. You could also play the "hey ya!" echo part on instruments instead of singing it.
- Once the group has mastered the song, remove the singing part, and use the rhythm of the words to perform the song as an instrumental piece. This works really well alternating between a drum soloist and the ensemble.

Soloist: Hear the sound of the beating drum. Ensemble: In music, I welcome you. Soloist: Calling out to ev'ryone. Ensemble: In music, I welcome you. Soloist: *Hey ya!* Ensemble: *Hey ya!* Soloist: *Hey ya!* Ensemble: *Hey ya!* 

Soloist: In music, I welcome you. Soloist: Hey ya! Ensemble: Hey ya! Soloist: Hey ya! Ensemble: Hey ya! Soloist: In music, I welcome you. Ensemble: In music, I welcome you.

 Have some of the group participants, or a soloist, incorporate sign language into the piece by signing the phrase "in music, I welcome you". Consult with a sign language specialist for help, or you can look up the following signs and sequence them using this sign language gloss. Sign language gloss suggestion:

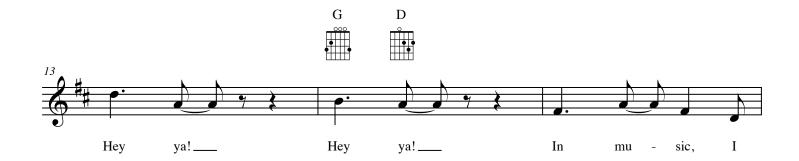
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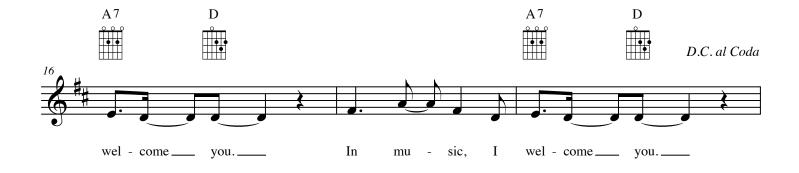
### In Music, I Welcome You

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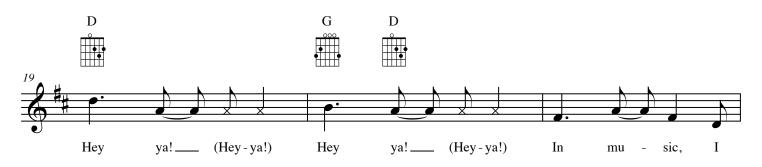


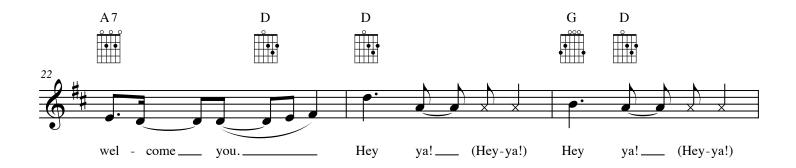


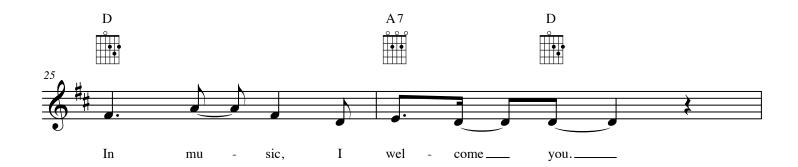


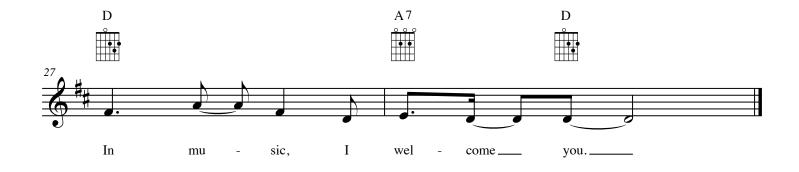


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### If You've Got a Song

Song by Megan Resig

### **About the Song**

I wrote *If You've Got a Song* as a way to welcome members into a group session a promote a sense of unity and group cohesion. This song lends itself to a variety of age groups and populations since the song's message is fairly universal: *everyone is welcome and everyone has a part to play.* 

This song is also a great way to warm students up for the rest of the session. Each verse of this song has a specific directive (sing it, play it, move your body, etc.) The facilitation of these parts can be fairly flexible. For example, you may have all members of the group do all of the verses together as a group or you may assign a specific verse to each member.

### **Extending the Experience**

• One of the easiest ways to extend this piece is to write some additional verses. If you have passed out a variety of instruments you can write a verse for each instrument part (for example: "If you have a shaker then shake it!). The fairly simple structure of each verse make it ideal for creating your own. Another way to extend this experience would be to add in an echo or rhythm part on the rests after each verse motif. (For example: If you've got a drum then play it! Boom Boom.)

• I've also used the first part of the verse (*if you've got a song then sing it*) to help facilitate a group song share. I direct each member of the group to think either their favorite song or one that contains a specific theme (such as 'peace' or 'unity'). Together we'll sing the verse followed by one of the group members song choice. This creates a connected, larger experience that maintains a cohesive theme.

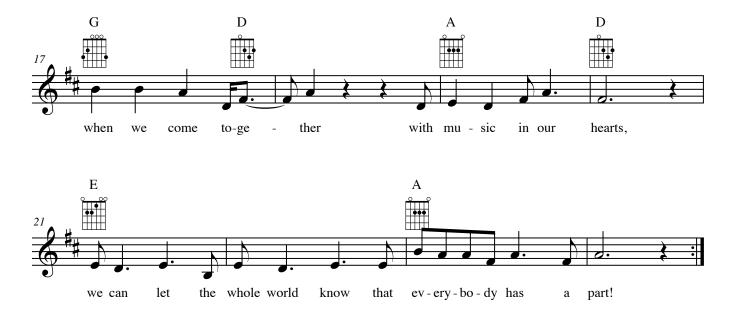
If you've got a song then sing it. If you've got a song then sing it. If you've got a song, sing it loud, sing it strong, Sing it out for the world to hear.

Oh if I had a hammer. I'd hammer in the morning. I'd hammer in the evening. All over this land! I'd hammer out danger! I'd hammer out warning! I'd hammer out love for all my brothers and my sisters All over this land. If You've Got a Song

Megan Resig



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# It's Time for Music, Oh Yeah!

by Lindsey Oliver

### **About the Song**

This is a great hello song to get your clients participating and moving right from the start! Within this song, clients will be led through directed movements including clapping their hands, stomping their feet, and just moving to the beat! Participants will also have the opportunity to address the music therapist with "hello" and partake in singing.

### **Extending the Experience**

- Incorporate other movements into the song like "touch your toes" and "touch your nose" to work on identifying body parts. Create a movement list for students to choose the movements they would like to do that day.
- Extend the hello exchange section to include other phrases like "how are you?", "what are you wearing", etc. Allow space for their response. This changes the focus to now encourage clients to answer direct questions.
- Before beginning the song, you can teach the students where the "oh yeah" section of the song comes in. This way they can begin to anticipate this part of the song and

work on timing there singing. They can also add in their own exclamation like "rock on" or "let's go".

• To work on expressive language skills, perform a movement first and then have the group sing the movement you just performed. Ex. "Let's (clap your hands for the group), the group then sings "clap our hands". You may need to prerecord your song for this activity, or you can just sing through this part without accompaniment. You could also select a student to perform different movements for the group while you play the song.

Lindsey Oliver



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It's Time For Music, Oh Yeah!

### It's Time To Get Things Started

Song by Josh Hauck

#### **About the Song**

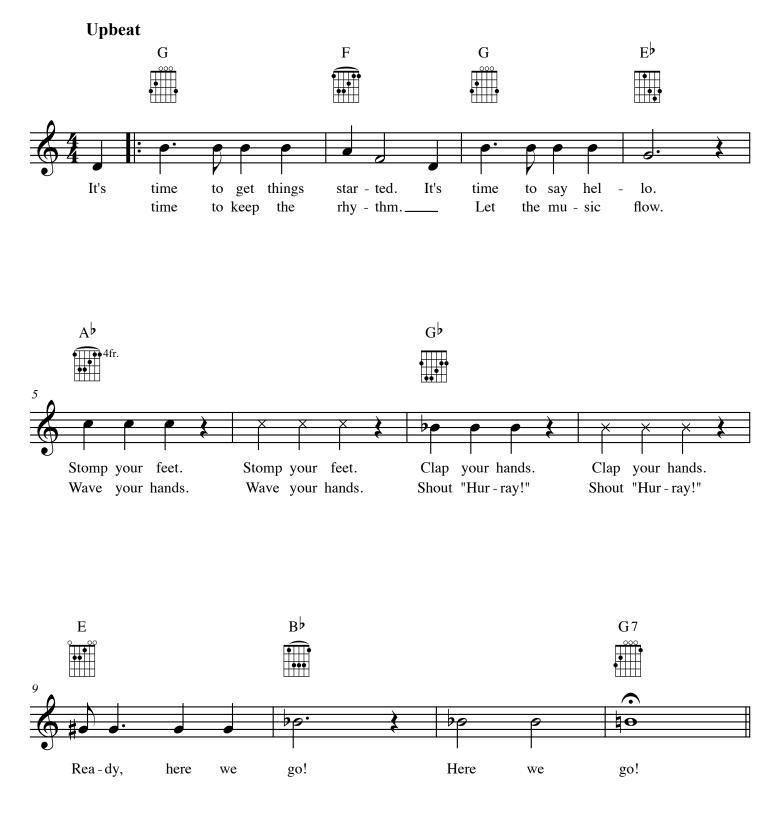
It's Time To Get Things Started is an upbeat song to capture everyone's attention and encourage them to participate in the group. There are two contrasting sections in the song. The first section targets each student to respond verbally to the lyrics. This includes saying "hello" and shouting "hurray". The students can also respond physically by clapping or waving their hands. The second section provides a simple chord progression for students to improvise, using the mixolydian mode. They could improvise in G mixolydian (G, A, B, C, D, E, F) using any pitched instrument such as guitars, keyboards, recorders, or xylophones.

### **Extending the Experience**

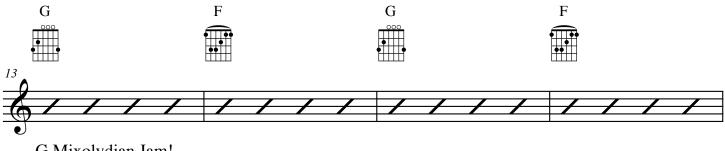
- Students can add additional verses and movements into the song.
- During the second section, students can take turns by playing different solos.

# It's Time to Get Things Started

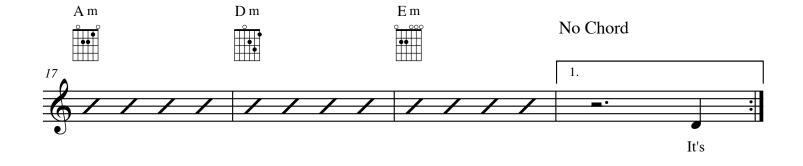
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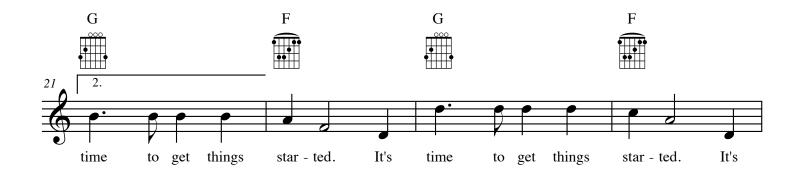


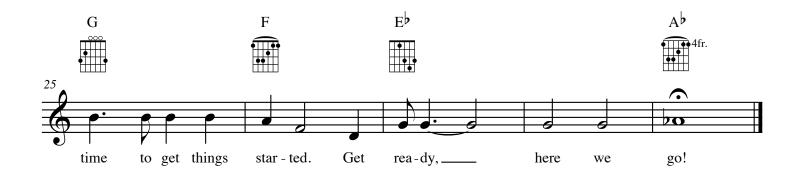
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G Mixolydian Jam!







### Let's Get It Started

Song by Megan Resig

### About the Song

When I compose songs for music therapy, I'm always thinking about the variety of ways my clients can interact with the piece. My goal is always to provide multiple opportunities for engagement to encourage maximum client response. In this particular piece there are a few key areas that invite client participation.

- Clients can respond vocally during the echo section of the verse.
- In the middle of the piece, there is a rhythmic 'call and response' section where clients can participate using rythmic instruments.

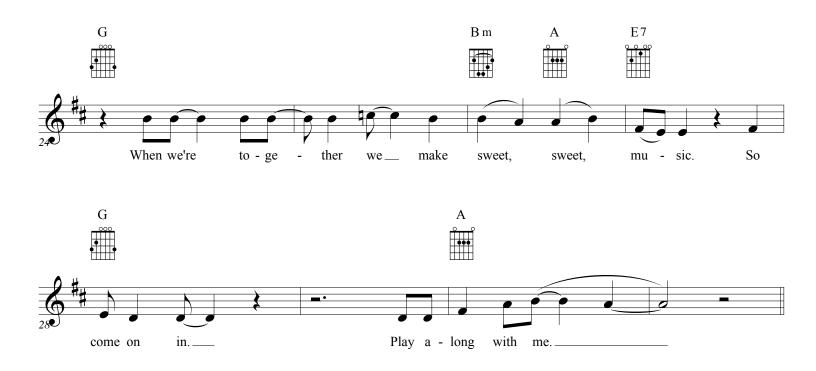
Let's Get It Started has a grooving, hard rock feel that makes it appropriate for a variety of age groups. To achieve this effect when I'm leading a group alone, I use the accompaniment feature on my keyboard. I find a good rock setting and use one hand to do the chord changes, and the other hand to help cue the group. When it's time for the rhythmic 'call and response' section, I leave the chords out and just use the underlying beat to provide a background pulse while I lead the group using a drum.

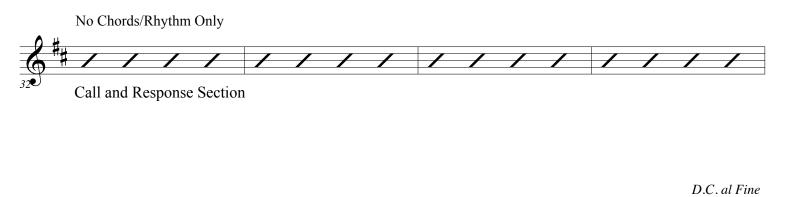
### **Extending the Experience**

- There are many ways to extend this experience with clients. The 'call and response' section is a great place to experiment with adding some movement and dance.
- I've also used this same section to work on solo playing, either with rhythmic or tonal instruments.
- Sometimes I work with groups that are very high energy, and pulling out instruments right away can get chaotic and noisy very quickly. In these situations I love to incorporate body percussion. I'll divide the group up into small sections and give each on a very simple rhythm that usually consists of patting knees, clapping, stomping, etc. It's amazing how interesting even the simpilest rhythms can become when they are layered together!

### Let's Get It Started!



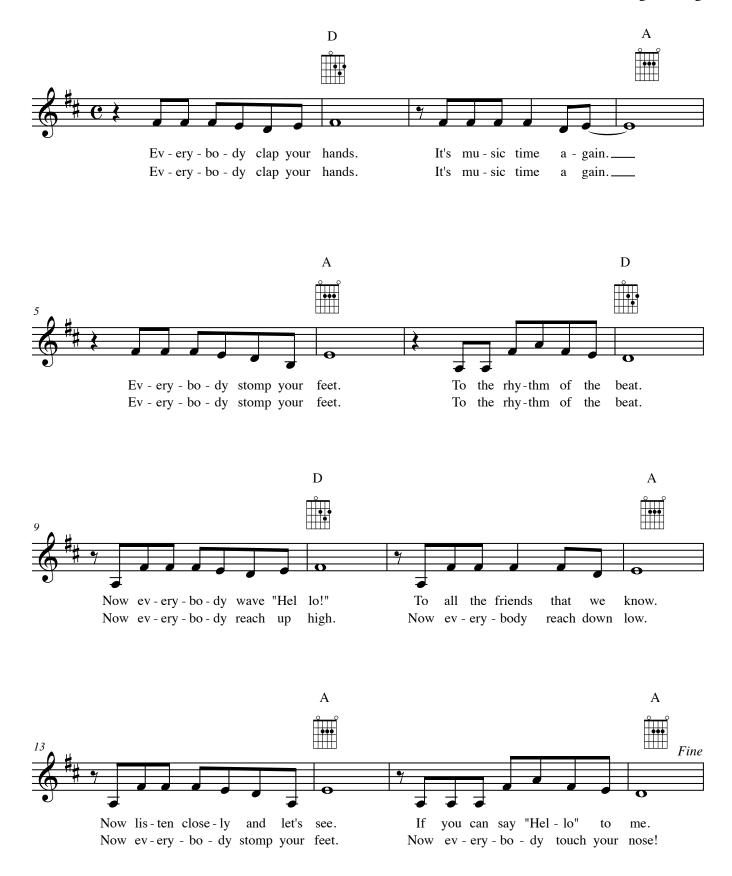






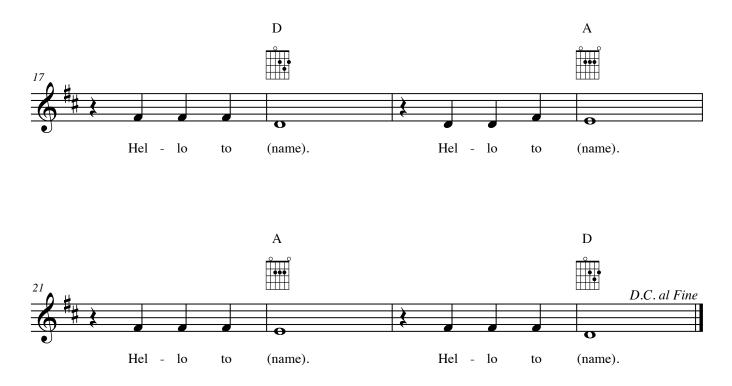
### Everybody Clap Your Hands

Megan Resig



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#### Everybody Clap Your Hands



# Move As One to the Music

Song by Wade Richards

#### **About the Song**

When composing an opening song for a group of individuals with a variety of special needs, I try to create a song experience to grab everyone's attention and engage everybody in some kind of moving and singing. I may also want to reinforce the calendar in some way, or offer a way for to participants to interact with each other. *Move as One to the Music* offers sections to do all of the above. Participants can follow the body movement cues within the lyrics, or sing along with nonsense syllables. There is also a brief section in the song to add in the current day of the week and interact with others in the group by "waving hello". The basic format of the song allows for countless ways to build on to the basic structure from week to week.

### **Extending the Experience**

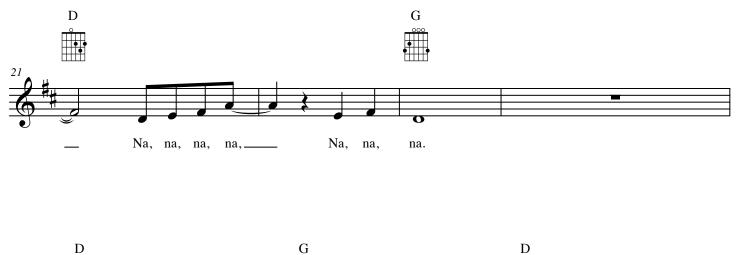
- Alter the vocalization sounds from "na, na" and "whoa" to other nonsense syllables and sounds.
- Add other verses to move different body parts in different ways. For example: legs kicking, neck twisting, elbows lifting, or wrists turning.

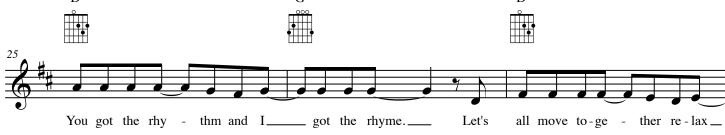
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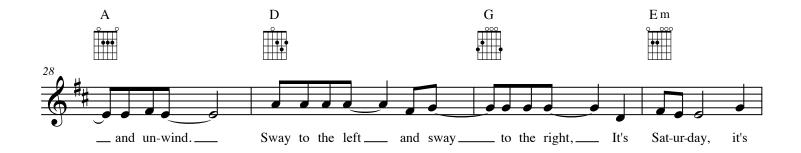
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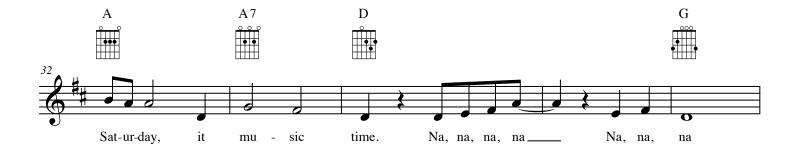
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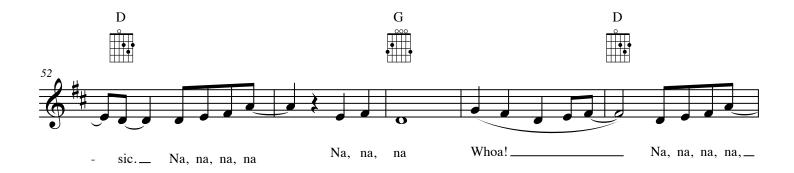


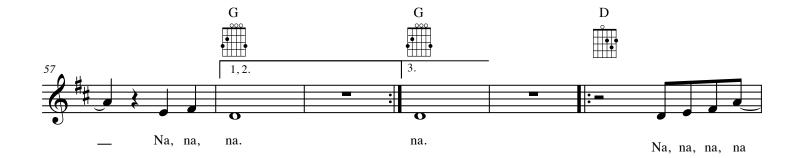


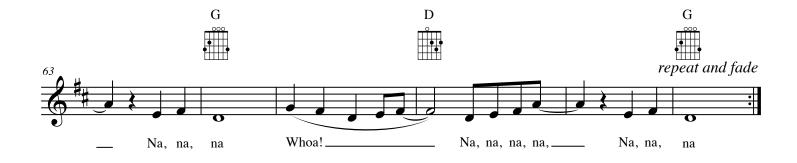












### Na Na, Hey Ya (It's Time for Music Today) by Lindsey Oliver

### **About the Song**

This is a great song to get your students voices warmed up at the beginning of the session. I use this song specifically with students who have speech goals that target specific words and sounds. Additional words or phrases can easily be added. I also use this song with individuals who are working on taking turns. The call and response section is a great way to work on this goal. Once an individual hears the song one time through, they are usually ready and excited to sing along with you!

### **Extending the Experience**

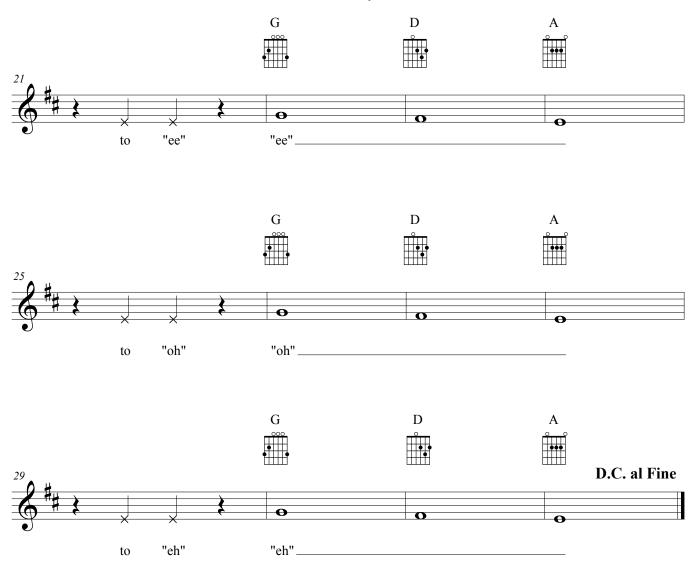
- Select different percussion instruments and have students match the rhythm of their singing. Depending on the instruments you are using, you can incorporate that instrument name into the lyrics. Example: "It's time for drumming today".
- Incorporate stretching and various movements into the song. This is a great way to simultaneously warm up the body and the voice.

Na Na, Hey Ya (It's Time for Music Today)



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Na Na, Hey Ya



### **Our Time Now is Done**

Song by Amy Kalas

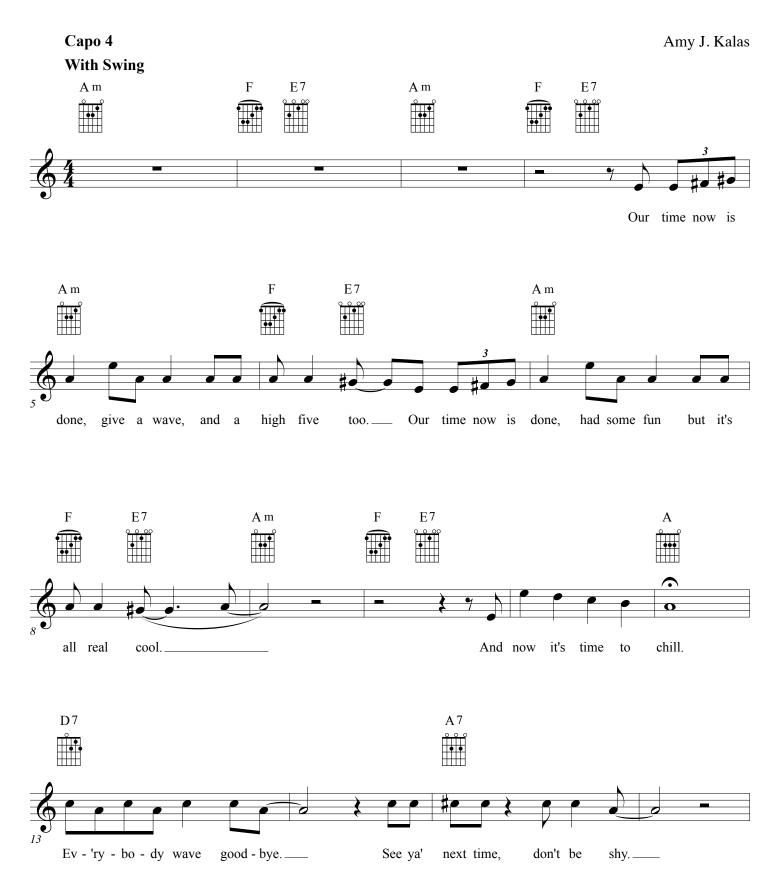
#### **About the Song**

Our Time Now is Done is a closing song that encourages students to wave goodbye or give their peers a high five as the session ends. Create simple simple percussion accompaniments to play throughout the piece, or encourage students to improvise their own rhythms.

### **Extending the Experience**

- The students can play along with the rhythm of the phrase "our time now is done" each time they hear it or sing it. As the last phrase at the end of the song it repeated, students can get softer and fade out.
- To work on selective attention during the song, one small group of students can maintain a specific rhythm on an instrument, while another small group maintains alternate rhythm.

### Our Time Now is Done



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# So Long, Farewell

Song by Wade Richards

### **About the Song**

"So Long, Farewell" was inspired by the original song from the Sound of Music. The simplicity of the lyrics and the liveliness of this version of the song is an upbeat way to end a session. This type of song works well with students who may have difficultly ending or transitioning out of the session. The percussiveness of the "Oh! Oh! Oh! It's time to go" section provides a strong musical cue for the student to either sing this part, or play it out on an instrument.

### **Extending the Experience**

• Encourage students to improvise their own verses about what they enjoyed doing in the session, or what they look forward to working on next time. Here's an example from one student:

> I really enjoyed the drum today. I loved all the rhythms that I played. I hope that next time I can play it again. But oh! Oh! Oh! It's time to go!

• Change "so long" and "farewell" to other goodbye words, or say goodbye in other languages.

• Open tune a guitar to a G chord. From the lowest pitched string to the highest string this would be:

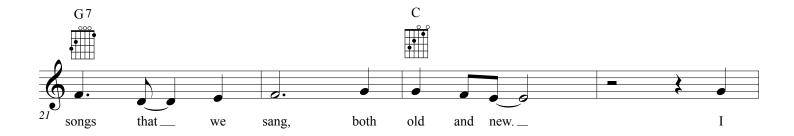
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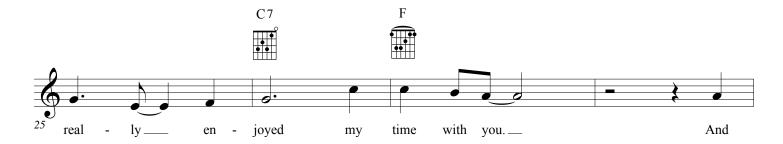
• Students can then play their guitar on any G or G7 chord in the song. They can also strum their guitar to match the rhythm of the "Oh! Oh! Oh!" part each time it comes in.

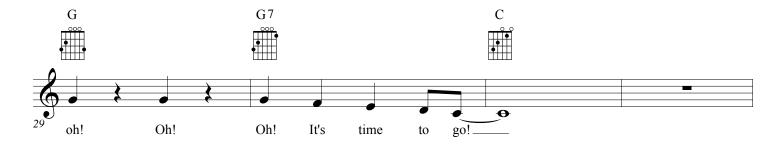
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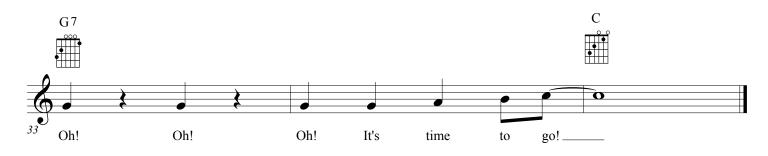
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# **Time to Say Goodbye**

Song by Rachel Rambach

### **About the Song**

Goodbyes aren't easy. There's nothing fun about parting with a relative or friend, whether its for a few short days, or for an extended period of time. But if saying goodbye is difficult for you, think about how it must feel for a child who has severe separation anxiety issues. Many of the children I work with must deal with this on a daily basis, and that is one of the things we can address during music therapy.

We always end our sessions with a goodbye song, and I try to stick with songs that are happy and upbeat so that the transition to the next activity is hopefully a positive one. However, I wanted to address the feelings that some children associate with saying goodbye, which is why I wrote this particular song.

### **Extending the Experience**

• This song could be used at different transition times throughout the day; I mentioned going to school and coming home from school, but you could easily add verses about going other places or seeing off a friend or loved one for a period of time.

### Time to Say Goodbye

**Rachel Rambach** 



#### Additional Lyrics

 In the afternoon, when I go home It's time to say goodbye To the people I'm leaving, Like my teachers and friends. It's time to say goodbye.

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### Time to Sing Hello Song by Rachel Rambach

### **About the Song**

The start of the new school year is always a good time to try out a new hello or greeting song. If you find yourself rotating through the same few starter songs during the year, make it a goal to incorporate new songs throughout the school year. You could use a song from this book, search for resources on the internet, or write one yourself!

### **Extending the Experience**

- Replace the "you and you and you" section with the names of students in the group.
- Create other fun rhymes for the "sit up tall, let's have a ball" section.

Feet on the rug, give the floor a hug.

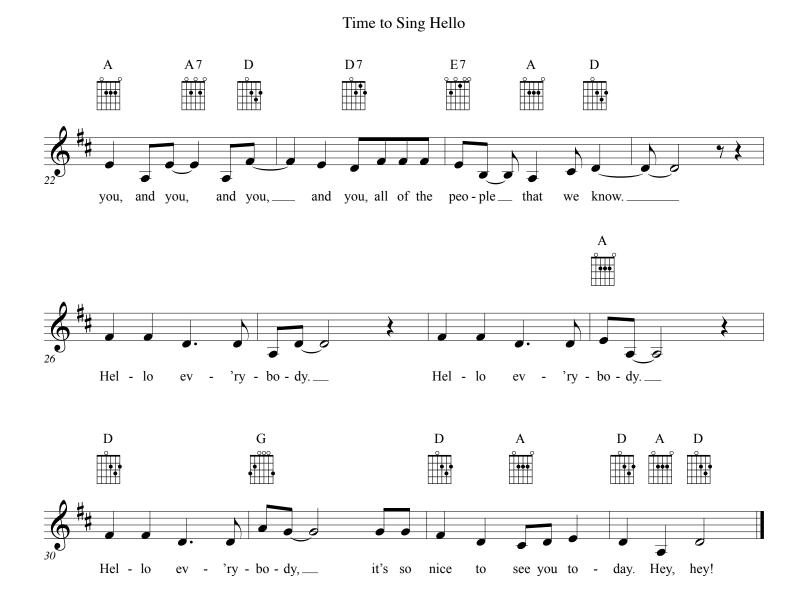
Hands on your knees, give them a squeeze.

### Time to Sing Hello

Rachel Rambach



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# Uh-Oh Hello Song by Molly Phillips

### **About the Song**

Recommended for children, *Uh-Oh Hello* is a fun way to welcome the group into music, and also encourage body recognition and the isolation of body parts. Lyrics can easily be changed to any body part pairs like legs, knees, eyes, ears, elbows, etc. Think what action words you could connect to each body pair, like: legs are jumpin', eyes are blinkin' or ears are wigglin'.

### **Extending the Experience**

• Try singing body parts and greetings in a different language. Take pictures of the different body parts and add them to one set of cards. Write the name of the body part with the on the other set of cards with the translation below. As students match a word card with a picture card, sing that verse.

### Uh-Oh Hello

Molly Phillips



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# Welcome to My World (of Music)

Song by Wade Richards

### About the Song

Welcome to My World (of Music) is a driving blues rock song to get your group moving, singing, and playing instruments. The simplicity of the song allows for quick adaptations depending on the group you are working with. I often add movements to assist participants in learning the words in the beginning.

*welcome to my world* - arms outstretched, palms up *music* - clap on the syllables for "mu-sic" leave your troubles far behind - wave your arm behind you swingin' time - arms sway back and forth

Next, I have the group work on writing the additional verses. You can also create a word bank for students to use for starter ideas.

"Welcome to my world of \_\_\_\_\_\_

rhythm drumming	love	dancing	singing
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"We're gonna have a(n)\_\_\_\_\_\_time."

awesome	jammin'	real good	moving	amazing
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I may also have students take turns improvising on pitched instruments like piano, keyboard, xylophone, or resonator bells. I can use a capo on the second fret of the guitar to play in the key of F# if someone is playing the black keys on the piano (F# pentatonic). If I am using a keyboard, I may ask the student to play in F# pentatonic, and just transpose the keyboard down two steps to match my key of E on the guitar. If I am using Orff instruments I may guitar in the key of G and set up the instrument in an adapted blues scale in the key of G.

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I then select a variety of percussion instruments to add to the group arrangement. This may include bass guitar, cymbal and brushes, cabasa, maracas, claves, bongos, and a djembe. This instrument assortment adds timbre and color to the song.

#### **Extending the Experience**

• If you have an iPad, there is an app called Pianist Pro you can purchase. There is a "Scale Piano" feature where you can select from a large number of preset scales (including Blues scale), or create your own scale from scratch. With a quick touch of the keyboard you can place the preset scale in any key. Students can then jam along with you freely,

touching each note or sliding up and down the scale with ease!

 I often using Suzuki tone chimes with my groups, so setting up players in a blues scale is a great way to encourage free improvisation throughout the song. You can also have students take turn conducting the group. The bell players become a big keyboard for the student conductor to explore improvisation!

### Welcome to My World (of Music)

Wade M. Richards



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