

Camp Tamarack

Song Book



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Types of Songs and How to Sing Them

Each song you sing can be qualified as one of the following!

You'll Catch On

There are a few songs out there that are very repetitive, so teaching them becomes even more repetitive! All you have to do to start these songs is to say "I'm going to start- join in as soon as you can!"

Repeat After Me

A repeat after me song is an entire song that campers will sing one line after you sing a line. This is a great type of song to do if you are a little nervous- because you only should be singing it from beginning to end once! If you start the song by saying: "This is a repeat after me song" the group will follow along and the rest is history!

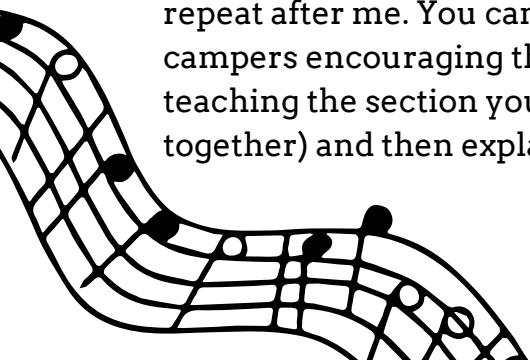
Repeat After Me and Do as I Do

This is similar to a repeat after me song- but it also includes motions! You do not necessarily have to stand up for this song, but if a full body motion (like turning around) is included, you should. To teach this song you start the same way as a Repeat After Me song but then you add in "and a Do as I Do song" and if needed say "So staaaand up..."

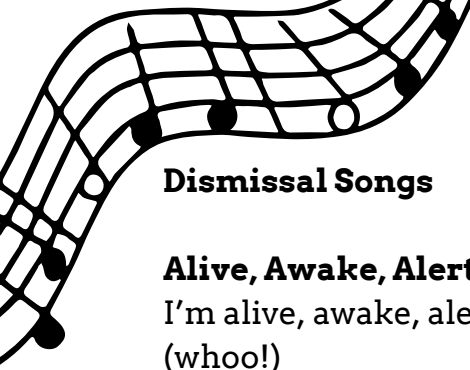
Teaching Song

This is one of the more challenging types of songs to teach because it requires you to sing the song a few times. The first time, you will sing it by yourself so the campers know what it sounds like. The second time you will sing a line (it helps to have a visual cue like putting your hands up in front of you) and then having the campers sing that line (and putting your hands out towards them). You will then have everyone sing the song all together. This generally works well with shorter songs because it can be really hard for campers to remember the whole things. We can use song books or song boards to help if the song is too long.

Combo Song



This is when you combine a repeat after me and a teaching song. This can work really well if the song is long and you want to teach the chorus and do the verses as repeat after me. You can also teach the chorus and just sing the verses to the campers encouraging those who know the song to join in. You should start by teaching the section you want to teach (sing it first, teach it line by line, sing it all together) and then explaining how the rest of the song will go.



Dismissal Songs

Alive, Awake, Alert, Enthusiastic (Teaching Song)

I'm alive, awake, alert, enthusiastic (who!) I'm alive, awake, alert, enthusiastic (who!)

I'm alive, awake, alert I'm alert, awake, alive

I'm alive, awake, alert, enthusiastic (who!)

Black Socks (Teaching Song)

Black socks, they never get dirty The longer you wear them, the blacker they get
Some day, I think I might wash them But something keeps telling me, don't do it yet
Not yet, not yet, not yet, not yet

Every Little Cell (Teaching Song)

Every little cell in my body is happy, Every little cell in my body is well.
I can tell (tell!), every little cell (cell!) In my body is happy and well (well)!

John Jacob Jingleheimer Schmidt (Teaching Song)

John Jacob Jingleheimer Schmidt,
His name is mine too.
Whenever we go out,
The people always shout,
There goes John Jacob Jingleheimer Schmidt!
Na na na na na na na!

Kookaburra (Teaching Song)

Kookaburra sits in the old gum tree, eating all the gumdrops he can see,
Stop! Kookaburra, Stop! Kookaburra, Leave some there for me!

Little Piece of Tin (Teaching Song)

I'm a little piece of tin, Nobody knows what shape I'm in. Got four wheels and a
running board, I'm not a Chevy, I'm a Ford. Honk, honk, rattle, rattle, rattle, crash,
beep beep (x4)

Watermelon (Teaching Song)

I ate a watermelon, and all the seeds fell out (clap, clap)
And when I went to pick them up they all began to shout,
YOU ATE MY MOMMA! YOU ATE MY MOMMA!





Fast Songs

60's Party (Repeat After Me and Do as I Do, Standing)

This is a repeat after me song!

And a do as I do song!

It's a sixties party, from a sixties movie (60s monkey dance)

See the surfers on their surfboards (hand as though shielding eyes from sun, looking back and forth) Da-na-na-na-na na-na-na-na na! (jump to the left and act like you are standing on a surfboard) Da-na-na-na-na na-na-na-na na! (jump to the right side and act like you are standing on a surfboard)

It's a sixties party from a sixties movie

See the swimmers in the water, Swimmie Swimmie Swimmie Swim! (swimming arms) (Repeat end of previous versus)

It's a sixties party from a sixties movie

See the jellyfish on the beaches Squishy Squishy Squishy Squish (stamp out jellyfish with foot) (Repeat end of previous versus)

It's a sixties party from a sixties movie

See the tanners on their towels Ouchie Ouchie Ouchie Ouch! (pat hands on arms) (Repeat end of previous versus)

It's a sixties party from a sixties movie

See the lifeguards on their towers Flexie Flexie Flexie Flex! (Flex arms) (Repeat end of previous versus)

It's a sixties party from a sixties movie

Party's over!



Aye Oh Aye (Repeat After Me, With Hand Motions, No Standing)

This is a repeat after me song! And a do as I do song!

Aye oh aye oh aye! Aye kofeasha! Kofeasha longa! Longa chew-manga! One more time! To the ____! (Lake, fire, student leaders, teachers, yourself etc.)

Baby Shark (You'll Catch On, With Hand Motions, No Standing)

Baby shark do do, do do do do Baby shark do do, do do do do Baby shark do do, do do do do do do Baby shark

(Repeat with using appropriate actions)

Mama Shark, Papa Shark, Grandma Shark, Going swimming, See a shark, Swimming faster, SHARK ATTACK, Call 911, CPR, It's too late, Reincarnation, Baby shark!

A Tiki Terra (Repeat After Me, With Hand Motions, No Standing)

This is a repeat after me song! And a do as I do song!

Oh kah layla, oh oh kah layla!

A moosa moosa moosa!

A moosa moosa moosa!

A tiki terra tumba, a tiki terra tumba!

Ay-ay-lo, ay-ay-lo, ayyyyylaaa.

Oh, my baby, oh oh my baby!

A pterodactyl took her,

A pterodactyl took her!

I must I must retrieve her,

I must I must retrieve her!!

She flew away, she flew far away.

(Again, but with MORE EMOTION)

Baby Bumblebee (Repeat After Me, With Hand Motions, No Standing)

I'm bringing home a baby bumblebee,

Won't my mommy be so proud of me, (Cup hands together as if holding bee)

I'm bringing home a baby bumblebee,

Ouch! It stung me! (Shake hands as if just stung)

I'm squishing up the baby bumblebee,

Won't my mommy be so proud of me, ('Squish' bee between palms of hands)

I'm squishing up a baby bumblebee,

Ooh! It's yucky! (Open up hands to look at 'mess')

I'm wiping off the baby bumblebee, (Wipe hands off on shirt)

Won't my mommy be so proud of me, (Hold hands up to show they are clean)

Flea Fly (Repeat After Me, No Standing)

This is a repeat after me song!

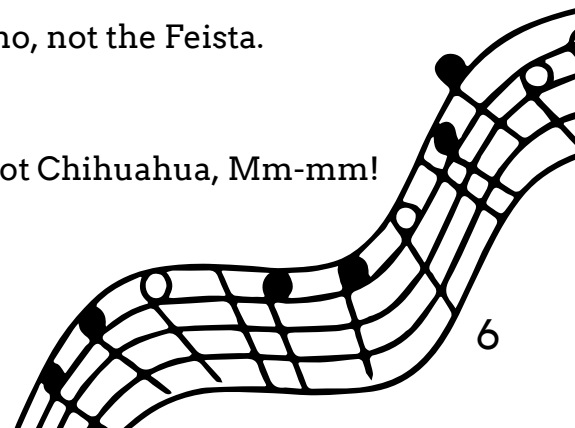
Flea! Flea, Fly! Flea, Fly, Flo! Feista!

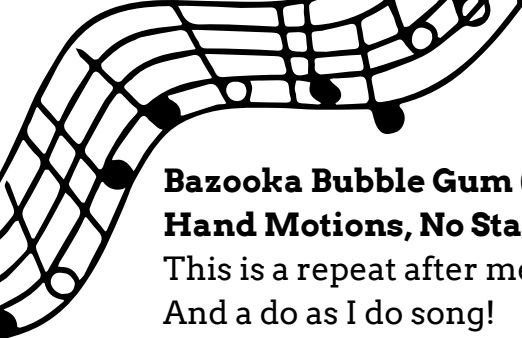
Cooma-lada, Cooma-lada, Cooma-lada Feista. Oh, no, no, no, not the Feista.

Eenie Meanie, Decimeanie, Ooh Walla walla Meanie.

Exameanie, Zalameanie, Ooh Walla walla!

I said a- Beet Billy Oaten Boaten, Bo-bo ba-deeten dotin, Hot Chihuahua, Mm-mm!





Bazooka Bubble Gum (Combo- teach chorus, the rest is Repeat After Me, With Hand Motions, No Standing)

This is a repeat after me song!

And a do as I do song!

My Mom gave me a _____, She said to _____, _____ (Sing altogether) I want bubblegum! Bazooka-zooka Bubble gum! (x3)

Penny, go to Denny’s, But I don’t want to go to Denny’s, they don’t cater to my gluten intolerance!

Nickel, bite a pickle, But I don’t wanna bite a pickle they’re just worse cucumbers!

Dime, lick a lime, But I don’t wanna lick a lime, they make my lips pucker!

Quarter, drink some water, But I don’t wanna drink some water! I don’t care about my hydration!

Dollar, pop my collar, What decade do you think it is?! Nobody pops their collars anymore!

Bear Song (Repeat After Me, No Standing)

This is a repeat after me song!

The other day, I met a bear, A great big bear, In underwear!

(Sing together) The other day I met a bear, a great big bear in underwear!

He looked at me, I looked at him, He sized me up, I sized up him

He said to me, “Why don’t you run? I see you ain’t, Having any fun”

And so I ran, Away from there, But right behind, Me was that bear

Ahead of me, There was a tree. A great big tree, Oh glory me!

The nearest branch, Was 10 feet up. I’d have to jump, And trust my luck

And so I jumped, Into the air, But I missed that branch, Away up there

Now don’t you fret, Now don’t you frown,

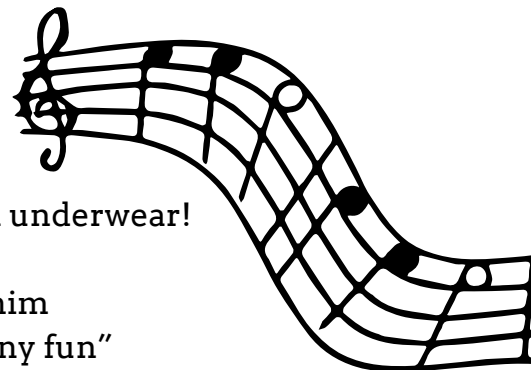
Cause I caught that branch, On the way back down

The moral of, This story is, Don’t talk to bears, In underwear.

Douglas Fir (Teaching Song)

A douglas fir, a douglas fir, a little tiny stump and a douglas fir (x2)

A sword fern, a sword fern, a little tiny stump and a douglas fir (x2)





Bo Diddly-Bop (Repeat After Me, No Standing)

This is a repeat after me song!

Hey-o Bo Diddly-Bop, I've got to get back to my block,

With a pizza in my hand, I could be a pizza man!

Hey-o Bo Diddly-Bop, I've got to get back to my block,

With a basketball in my hand I could be Michael Jordan

Michael Jordan! A pizza man!

Hey-o Bo Diddly-Bop, I've got to get back to my block,

With a book in my hand, I could be a librarian,

A librarian! Michael Jordan! A pizza man!

Hey-o Bo Diddly STOP! (Some other examples include: a vegetarian, an Oregonian, Plaque Fighting Man, Chevy Van, Jackie Chan, etc.)

Boom Chick-a-Boom (Repeat After Me, No Standing)

This is a repeat after me song!

I said a Boom Chick-a-Boom!

I said a Boom Chick-a-Boom!

I said a Boom-a-chick-a-rock-a-chick-a-rock-a-chick-a boom!

Uh huh! Oh yeah! One more time, Janitor Style!

I said a Broom Sweep-a-Broom!

I said a Broom Sweep-a-Broom!

I said a Broom-a-sweep-a-mop-a-sweep-a-mop-a-sweep-a broom

Uh huh! Oh yeah! One more time, Taco Bell Style!

I said a Bean cheesy bean!

I said a Bean cheese bean!

I said a Bean burrito, soft taco, nacho supreme

Uh huh! Oh yeah! One more time, Camp Tammy Style!


I said a bead, get a bead!

I said a bead, get a bead!

I said I'm bothering my counselors to give me a bead!

Uh huh! Oh yeah! No more times!

(Add as many verses as you would like!)





Budderfly Song (Combo- teach the chorus, repeat the last two words of each sentence)

Had I the wings of a budderfly (a budderfly)

Up to the woods I would fly (would fly)

Forever to stay there a budderfly (a budderfly) Until the day that I die (I die) I die? (I die?) I die! (I die!)

Chorus! (Sing all together) Uda la la, uda la la, uda la la LA! Uda la la, uda la la la. (again!) (x2)

(Versus can be made with anything that has wings: budderfly, aeroplane, pterodactyl, dragonfly etc.)

Creatures and Plants (Teaching Song)

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Creatures and plants,

Creatures and plants,

Fire, fire, fire, fire, creatures and plants,

Creatures and plants,

Creatures and plants,

Fire, fire, fire, fire, creatures and plants,

Some water, some water,

Fire, fire, fire, fire, creatures and plants,

Some water, some water,

Fire, fire, fire, fire, creatures and plants,

If you wanna be a field studies master,

You got to go a little faster!

(Repeat, faster and faster each time)

Dog, Cat, Mouse (Repeat After Me, Hand Motions, No Standing)

This is a repeat after me song!

Dog,

dog, cat,

dog, cat, mouse,

froggy!

Itsy bitsy teenie weenie itty bitty froggy,

Jump, jump, jump, little froggy.

Eating all the flies and all the spiders,

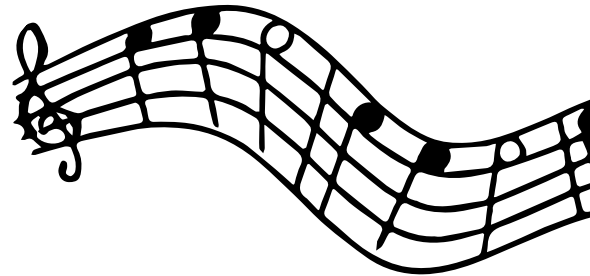
Rabbit (x6), CROAK! (Sing through 3 times, faster each time)

Donut Shop (Teaching Song)

Well I walked around the corner, And I walked around the block,
And I walked right in to a Donut Shop
And I picked up a Donut, And I wiped off the grease
And I handed the lady my five cent piece
Well she looked at the nickel, And she looked at me,
And she said "kind sir, as you can plainly see
There's a hole in the nickel, and it goes right through"
And I said "there's a hole in the Donut too! Thanks for the Donut, So long!"

Five Little Muffins (Repeat After Me, With Hand Motions, Standing)

This is a repeat after me song!
And a do as I do song!
There were five little muffins in the bakery shop!
You know the kind with the honey and the nuts on top!
When along came a girl with a penny to spare,
So she took that muffin and she ran outta there!
Now there's four little muffins in a bakery shop!
(Countdown to one)
Now there's no more muffins in the bakery shop!
You know the kind with the honey and the nuts on top!
When along came a girl with a penny to spare!
WAIT! No more muffins?! I guess I'll have a croissant...



Peanut Butter and Jelly (Combo- Teach Chorus, Repeat After Me, No Standing)

(Chorus) Peanut, peanut butter and jelly. Peanut, peanut butter and jelly.
First you take the peanuts and you pick 'em, you pick 'em. You pick, pick, pick 'em
Then you take the peanuts and you smash 'em, you smash 'em. You smash, smash, smash 'em,
And you spread 'em on the bread. Two, three, four. (Chorus)
Then you take the berries and you pick 'em, you pick 'em. You pick, pick, pick 'em
Then you take the berries and you smash 'em, you smash 'em. You smash, smash, smash 'em,
And you spread 'em on the bread. Two, three, four. (Chorus)
Then you take the sandwich and you bite it, you bite it. You bite, bite, bite it.
Then you take the sandwich and you chew it, you chew it. You chew, chew, chew it.
Two, Three, Four, (Chorus, garbled because your mouth is full of peanut butter and jelly)

Humpty Dumpty (Combo, Teach Chorus, Sing Verses)

(Chorus) Hump-ty dump, Hump hump-ty dumpty-dumpty, Hump-ty dump, Hump hump-ty dumpty-dumpty!

(Verse) Little Miss Muffet sat on her tuffet Eating her curds and whey (say what?!?)
Along came a spider and sat down beside her, said OOH AIN'T THAT FUNKY NOW!!

(Chorus)

(Substitute in other nursery rhymes for other verses: Twinkle, Twinkle, Jack & Jill, ABC's, etc.)

Jellyfish (Repeat After Me, With Hand Motions, Standing)

This is a repeat after me song!

And a do as I do song!

A jellyfish, a jellyfish, a jellyfish, AH! (Together)

(Add motions in one by one, repeating the previous line and the previous motions.)

Wrists together! Elbows together! Shoulders back! Bottoms out! Back straight!

Knees together! Toes in! Move in a circle! Tongues out!

Junior Birdfolks (Teaching Song)

Up in the air Junior Birdfolks!

Up in the air upside down!

Up in the air Junior Birdfolks!

With your noses to the ground!

When you hear the grand announcement!

That you're wings are made of tin (err-er-err)

Then you'll know that Junior Birdfolks,

Has sent their box tops in. It takes 5 box tops, 4 labels, 3 bottles, 2 wrappers, and 1 thin dime!

Lima Bean (Teaching Song)

My dog Lima likes to roam

One day Lima (s)he left home

(S)he came back quiet unclean

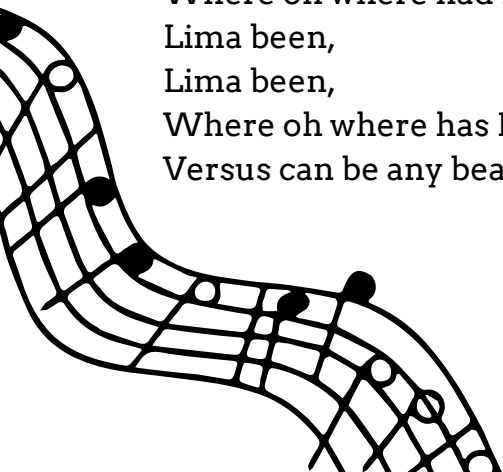
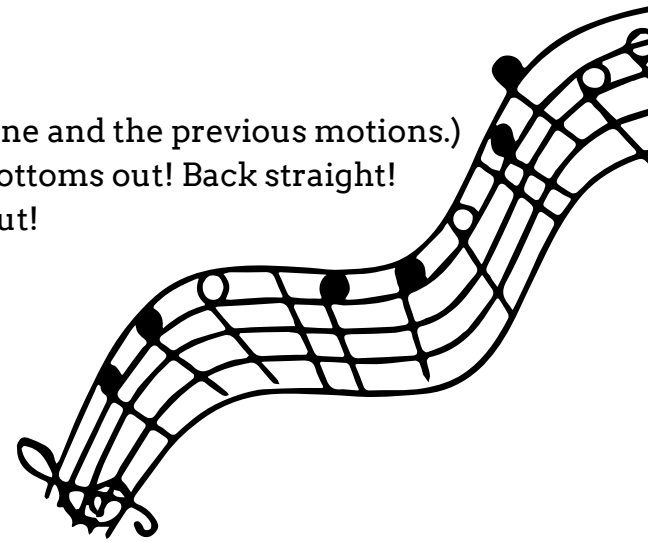
Where oh where had Lima been?

Lima been,

Lima been,

Where oh where has Lima bean?

Versus can be any bean: Coffee, Pinto, Lazer, Jelly, Refried, Human, etc.)



Lion Hunt (Repeat After Me Song, With Hand Motions, No Standing)

Chorus:

Going on a lion hunt
Gonna catch a lion.
A great BIG lion.
With big ol' teeth!
And a lonnnnnnggg tail!
Altogether now, let's go on a walk
Oh No! What's that!? It's !
Can't walk over it, Can't walk around it, Can't walk under it.
We're going through!

Altogether now, !

(Chorus)

Verse 1: Baby grass, swish (x3)

Verse 2: Swamp, splash (x3)

Verse 3: Rope, swing (x3)

Verse 4: Cave, shhhh (x3)

Verse 5: a LION!

Little Nut (Combo, teach chorus, repeat after me versus)

I'm a nut that's oh so brown, Laying on the cold, cold ground.
People come and step on me, That is why I'm cracked you see.

(Chorus) I'm a nut! I'm a nut! I'm a N-U-T-T NUT!

Called myself on the telephone, Just to hear my golden tone.
Asked myself out for a date, Told myself about half past 8.

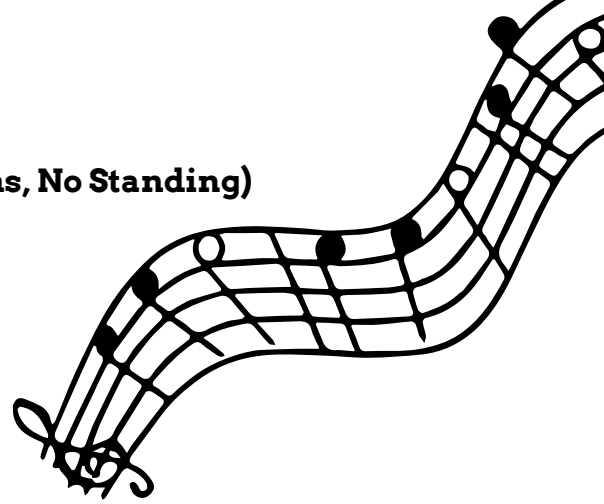
(Chorus)

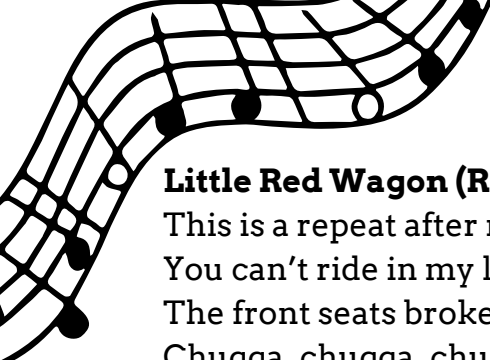
Took myself to the movie show, Sat myself in the very last row.
Wrapped my arms around my waist, Got so fresh I slapped my face.

(Chorus)

Took myself home late last night, Moon was shining oh so bright,
Standing at the gate with glee, Puckered up and then kissed me!

(Chorus)





Little Red Wagon (Repeat After Me, No Standing)

This is a repeat after me song!
You can't ride in my little red wagon!
The front seats broken, and the axles draggin'!
Chugga, chugga, chugga-chugga-chugga.
Second verse, Same as the first But a whole lot louder, and a whole lot worse!
(Repeat: louder, softer, and adding in funny verses)

Llama Song (Teaching Song, With Hand Motions, No Standing)

Happy llama (upright llama)
Sad llama (upside down llama)
Totally rad llama (lama riding waves)
Super llama (scoop llama up)
Drama llama (two llamas kiss)
Great big mama llama (llama made with both hands)
Baby llama (llama kisses your cheek)
Crazy llama (make circles by your ears)
Don't forget Barack Ollama (scoop llama up)
Fish! Fish! More fish! (hit thighs)
Turtle, unicorn, peacock, AHHH! (awkward turtle, unicorn horn on head, fan hands out)

Oyster Stew (Teaching Song)

One day I ordered an oyster stew,
Alone, tee-hee, alone.
And one little oyster loomed in view,
Alone, tee-hee, alone.
He winked at me and he blinked at me,
I've been in many a stew said he,
But don't tell the cook that you saw me,
Alone, tee-hee, alone.

And maybe I'll go to the senior prom,
Alone, tee-hee, alone.
And maybe I'll sit with the chaperone,
Alone, tee-hee, alone.
And maybe somebody will wink at me, and
I'll wink back at them, tee-hee.
And then you'll see, that I'll not be,
Alone, tee-hee, alone.



Long Johns (Repeat After Me, No Standing)

I'm a long john
And I'm a long time gone
Like the ___ in the _____
With their long johns on _____
Fishies, water, blup x5, blup x5, blup x2, bloop x2
Cats, alley, meow x5, meow x5, meow x2, hiss x2
Cars, city, beep x5, beep x5, beep x2, honk x2
(Add as many verses as you would like!)

Milkshake (Repeat After Me, With Motions, No Standing)

This is a repeat after me song!
And a do as I do song!
Oh a milkshake! Some sticky, sticky, waffles. A mozzarella pizza!
All of the eggs, of the eggs are broken. That was really nothing, We can do it ___
style!
(Add as many verses as you want!)
Last verse: Now, that was really something!

Moose Song (Repeat After Me, With Hand Motions, No Standing)

This is a repeat after me song! And a do as I do song!
There was a moose, Who liked to drink a lot of juice. (x2)
(Chorus) Singing way yo way yo. Way yo way yo way yo way yo. Way yo way yo. Way
yo way yo way yo way yo.

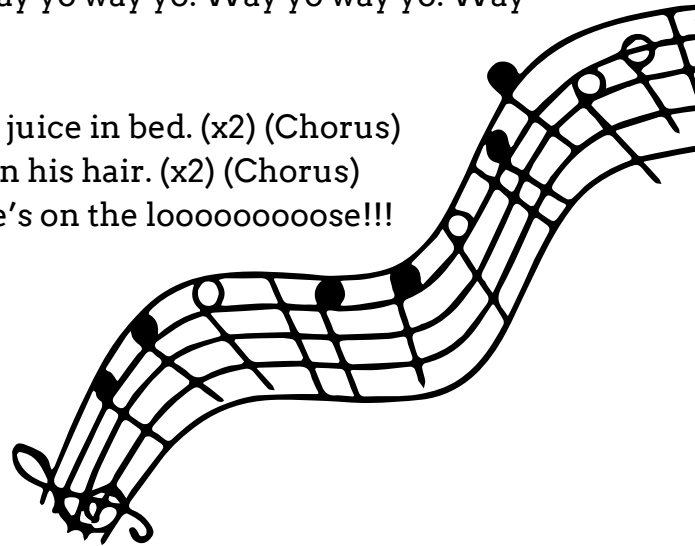
The moose's name was Fred, He liked to drink his juice in bed. (x2) (Chorus)
He drank his juice with care, But he spilled some in his hair. (x2) (Chorus)
Now he's a great big moose, All full of juice And he's on the looooooooooose!!!

Tamarack Milk (Teaching Song)

Leader 1: Give me a LONG M Group: MMMMMM
Leader 2: Give me a SHORT M Group: M!

(Chorus all together)
Don't give me no juice, no juice,
Don't give me no tea, no tea,
Just gimme that milk! Moo, moo, moo, moo,
That Tamarack milk! Moon, moo, moo, moo! (Milk your neighbor on the moos!)

Repeat spelling out the letters of MILK, on the last verse ask for a long milk (chocolate milk) and a short milk (skim)!





Princess Pat (Repeat After Me, With Hand Motions, No Standing)

The Princess Pat, Lived in a tree, She sailed across, The seven seas,
She sailed across, The channel two, And she brought with her, A rick-a-dandoo!

A rick-a-dandoo, Now what is that? It's something made, By the Princess Pat,
It's red and gold, And purple too, That's why it's called, A rick-a-dandoo!

Now Captain Jack, Had a mighty fine crew, He sailed across, The channel two,
But his ship sank, And yours will too, If you forget, A rick-a-dandoo!

A rick-a-dandoo, Now what is that? It's something made, By the Princess Pat,
It's red and gold, And purple too, That's why it's called, A rick-a-dandoo!

Tarzan (Repeat After Me, Hand Motions, No Standing)

This is a repeat after me song!
And a do as I do song!
Tarzan, Swinging on a rubber band,
Tarzan, Smacked into a frying pan,
Now Tarzan has a tan.
And I hope it don't peel, Like a banana!

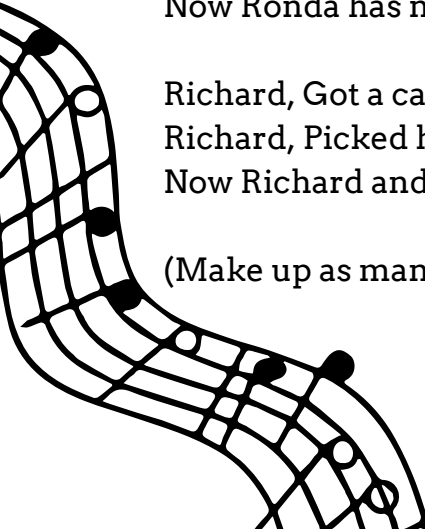
Jane, Flying in her airplane
Jane, Crashed into a freeway lane
Now Jane has a pain, Now Tarzan has a tan.
And I hope it don't peel Like a banana!

Cheetah, Rappin' to the beat-a!
Cheetah, Got eaten by an amoeba
Now Cheetah is velveeta (Repeat end of previous versus)

Ronda, Driving in her Honda
Ronda, Crashed straight into a pond-a!
Now Ronda has no Honda (Repeat end of previous versus)

Richard, Got a call from Ronda
Richard, Picked her up in his Honda
Now Richard and Ronda have one Honda (Repeat end of previous versus)

(Make up as many verses as you would like!)



Salt and Pepper (Teaching Song, No Standing)

(Person 1) My name is Salt! (Clap, clap) (Person 2) My name is Pepper! (Clap, clap)
(Person 1) I taste so good! (Clap, clap) (Person 2) I taste like pepper! (Clap, clap)
(Person 1) When salt goes away (Clap, clap) (Person 2) Pepper starts to cryyyyyyyyyy
(Person 1) When salt comes back, (Clap, clap) (Both) We are together!! (Clap, clap)

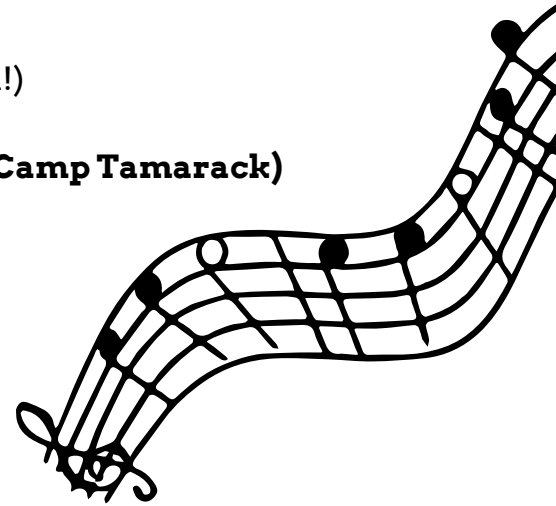
Swiss Girl (Combo, Teach Chorus, Sing Verses)

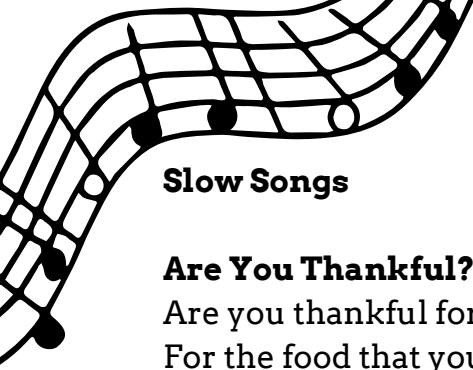
Ohhhhhh....aaaaaa....

A Swiss girl went yodeling on a mountain so high,
When along came an avalanche interrupting her cry.
Ohhhhhh, lay, oh, ola-raka-ki, ola-raka-ku, swish(x2)
(Saint Bernard, arf), (Grizzly bear, grr), (her father, DINNER!)

Welcome Song (Teaching Song, Sung as students enter Camp Tamarack)

We welcome you to Outdoor School
We're mighty glad you're here
We'll send the air reverberating
With a mighty cheer!
We'll sing you in
We'll sing you out
To you we'll raise a mighty shout (HOORAY!)
Hail, hail The gang's all here
Welcome to outdoor school (whoo!)





Slow Songs

Are You Thankful? (Repeat After Me)

Are you thankful for your food?
For the food that you eat?
Are you thankful for your shoes,
For your hands and your feet?

Are you thankful for the sun?
And the light that it provides
Are you thankful for the moon,
When she's kissing you goodnight?

Are you thankful for the sky,
And the air that you breathe?
Are you thankful for the mountains,
And all the waters of the sea?

So as we sing this song so bright,
With our friends together here,
We hope we all can sleep tonight,
Underneath the stars so clear.

Big River (Combo, Teach Chorus, Sing verses)

There's a big river flowing, it'll be there tomorrow
It's time we should be going, there's no time for sorrow
The stars will light the way back home, the song will keep the fire
Remembering the days we've roamed, the song will lift you higher

(Chorus) So sing for the river, and sing for the stars
Sing for the friends you've made, wherever they are
Sing to bring them back again, or to take you away
Sing a song for me my friend, sing for today

There's a big river flowing, and it's always in motion
It carves out its journey, on down to the ocean
Now you can choose your path alone, and take it to the sea
Remembering the song's your own, the song will set you free

(Chorus)



Barges (Teaching Song)

Out of my window looking in the night, I can see the barges flickering light,
Silently flows the water to the sea, And the barges, too, go silently.

Barges, I would like to go with you, I would like to sail the ocean blue.
Barges, have you treasures in your hold, Do you fight with pirates brave and bold?

Diamonds (Teaching Song)

She's a rich girl,
She don't try to hide it,
Diamonds on the soles of her shoes.
He's a poor boy,
Empty as a pocket,
Empty as a pocket with nothing to lose.
Sing ta-na-na, ta-na-na, ta-na-na-a-na
She's got diamonds on the soles of her shoes. (x2)

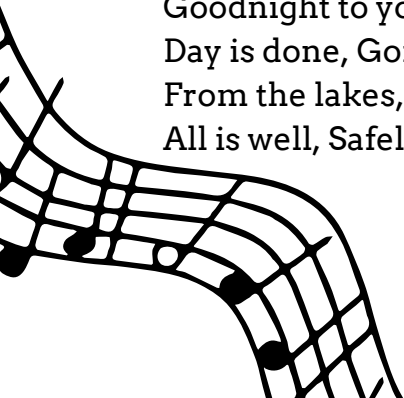
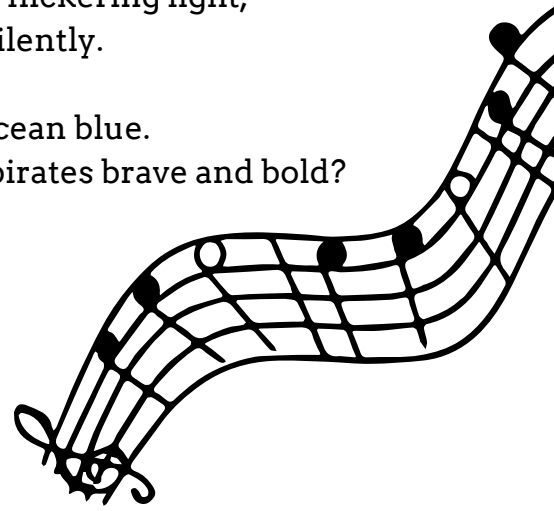
Flicker (Teaching Song)

The flicker of the campfire, the wind in the pines
The moon in the heavens, the stars that shine.
A place where people gather, to make friends of all kind
A place where all our troubles are always left behind.

So, give me the light of the campfire, warm and bright
Give me some friends I can sing with, I'll be here all night.
Love is for those of find it, I've find mine right here,
Just you and me and the campfire, And the songs we love to hear.

Green Trees/ Taps (Teaching Song)

Sung every night at Outdoor School
Green trees around us, Blue skies above.
Friends all around us, In a world filled with love.
Taps sounding softly,
Hearts beating true,
As we all say,
Goodnight to you.
Day is done, Gone the sun.
From the lakes, from the hills, from the sky,
All is well, Safely rest, And goodnight.



I Love the Mountains (Teaching Song)

I love the mountains, I love the rolling hills
I love the flowers, I love the daffodils
I love the fireside, When all the lights are low
Boom di adda (x8)

If You Love Me (Teaching Song)

If you love me,
If you love-love-love me,
Plant a rose for me.
And if you love me for a long-long time,
Plant an apple tree.

So whether I stay,
Or whether I go,
You'll have an apple and you'll have a rose.
So if you love me,
If you love-love-love me,
Plant a rose for me.

Linger (Teaching Song)

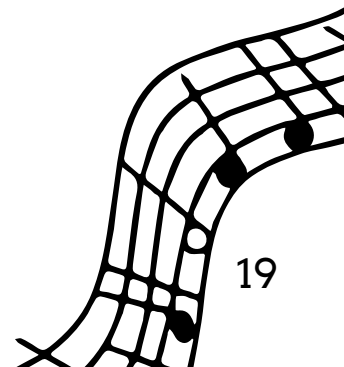
Mmm hmm I want to linger,
Mmm hmm a little longer,
Mmm hmm a little longer here with you.

Mmm hmm it's such a perfect night,
Mmm hmm it doesn't seem quite right,
Mmm hmm this is my very last with you.

Mmm hmm and come September,
Mmm hmm we will remember,
Mmm hmm Outdoor School and our friends so true.

Mmm hmm and as the years go by,
Mmm hmm we'll all look back and sigh,
Mmm hmm this is goodnight and not goodbye.

Repeat First Verse





Make New Friends (Teaching Song)

Make new friends, but keep the old
One is silver and the other's gold.

A circle is round, It has no end,
That's how long I want to be your friend.

Mr. Moon (Teaching Song)

Oh Mr. Moon, moon,
Bright and silvery moon
Won't you please shine down on me?
Oh Mr. Moon, moon,
Bright and silvery moon
Hiding behind that tree! (bum, bum, bum)
All these campers are telling you, (dun na na)
To Camp Tamarack they'll be true.
Oh Mr. Moon, moon,
Bright and silvery moon,
Won't you please shine down on, please shine down on,
Please shine down on me??

My Paddle (Teaching Song)

My paddle's keen and bright,
Flashing with silver.
Follow the wild goose flight,
Dip, dip and swing.

Dip, dip and swing 'er back,
Flashing with silver
Swift as the wild goose flies,
Dip, dip and swing.

Trees (Teaching Song)

Trees, trees, trees, trees
When I sleep I dream of trees
Alder, maple, yew, and hemlock
See how they grow

Rainbow Children (Teaching Song)

We're a rainbow,
made of children,
We're an army,
singing our song.
Got no weapons,
that can harm us,
Rainbow love is,
much too strong.



On the Loose (Combo- Teach Chorus, Sing Verses)

Sung at the end of each night during Winter Wellness

Chorus:

On the loose to climb a mountain, On the loose where I am free,
On the loose to live my life the way I think my life should be.
For I only have a moment, and a whole world yet to see.
I'll be looking for tomorrow on the loose.

Have you ever seen the sunrise turn the sky completely red?
Have you slept beneath the moon and stars, a pine bough for your bed?
Have you sat and talked with friends, though a word was never said?
Then you're just like me and you've been on the loose.
(Chorus)

So in search of love and laughter, I am traveling across this land.
Never sure of where I'm going, for I haven't any plan.
Anytime when you are ready, come and join me take my hand.
And together we'll share life out there on the loose.
(Chorus)

Now the moon is gently glowing and the stars are twinkling bright
Our laughter and our friendship has cleared the cloudy night
Come and join our flickering campfire, come and sing our happy songs
Come and we'll live our lives together on the loose
(Chorus)





Wee Baby Moon (Teaching Song)

There's a wee baby moon, lying on its back, with its funny little toes in the a-air
And it's all alone in the big blue sky, but the wee baby moon doesn't care

Baby moon,
Keep shining on me,
Baby moon

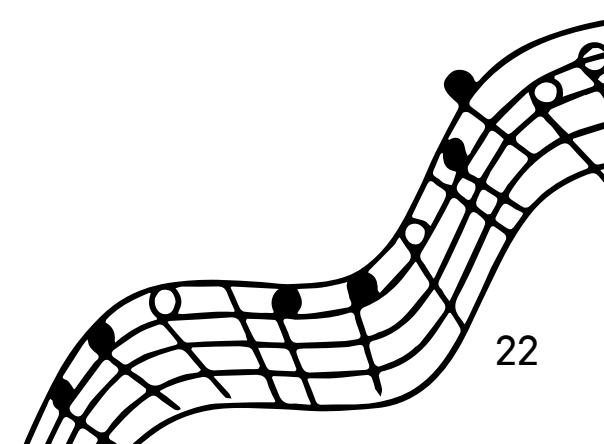
Purple Lights (Repeat After Me)

Purple lights
In the canyon
That is where
I long to be
With my three
Great companions
My backpack, my pony and me

Whippoorwill
In the willows
Sings a sweet
Melody
To my three
Great companions
My backpack, my pony and me

Gonna hang
My sombrero
On a limb
Of a tree
Near my three
Great companions
My backpack, my pony and me

No more cows
To be ropin'
No more steer
Do I see
Just my three
Great companions
My backpack, my pony and me



Shine On Tamarack (Teaching Song)

*Written by She-Wolf and Osprey- 2015
Sung every night during Summer Camp*

We dream of the moon,
Up in the sky,
Shining on Tamarack,
As we reflect her light.

As we all sing,
With our friends so true,
She watches over us,
And brings days anew.

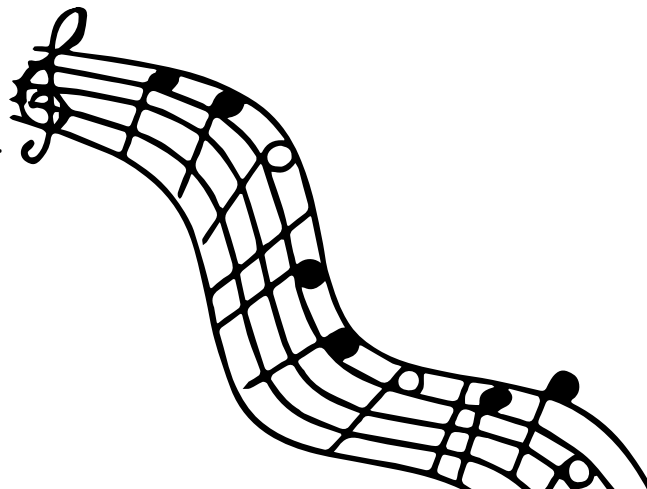
Rain down on us moonlight.
Teach us all to shine bright.
There's a new day ahead,
And with this we've all said,
Shine on Tamarack, goodnight.

Spider's Web (Combo- Teach Chorus, Sing Verses)

Down in the valley,
There is a mission,
By the old oak tree.
By the mission,
There is a fountain,
Where my love told me:

(Chorus) There's a web like a spider's web,
Made of silk or light or shadow,
Spun by the moon in my room at night.
It's a web made to catch a dream,
Hold it tight 'til I awaken,
As if to tell me, that dreaming's all right.

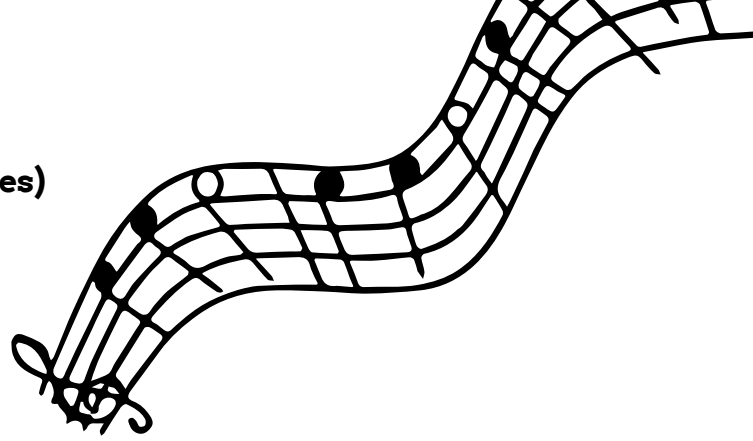
In the evening,
I was leaving,
My love dreamt of me.
I was sleeping,
She was weeping,
When she said to me:
(Chorus)



Dixie Cup (Combo- Teach Chorus, Sing Verses)

Written by: Lark-Summer 2017

What's that sittin' on the table?
It's a mini Dixie cup! (A Dixie cup)
This is the emotional fable
Of how it got crushed up. (crushed up)



It was sitting in Costco,
Holding some fish sticks. (some fish sticks)
When someone grabbed it, ate the sample, and threw it away. (guitar sound)

Chorus

Poor crushed mini Dixie cup,
Your life was short but ample. (Tongue click)
Poor crushed mini Dixie cup,
Out of you I ate a sample.

What happened to the three Rs?
Reduce, reuse, recycling. (Recycling)
If you don't have a recycle bin,
You could save it for some ice cream. (Samples)

Chorus

You've held so many foods. (Foods)
You've put me into so many happy moods. (Happy moods)
Once you held a couple of my Twix. (My Twix)
Another time you held a handful of my Chex mix.

Chorus

