

#### 1. Welcome To School

by Stephen Fite

La-la-la-la-la

Welcome to school

I'm glad to see you here
We'll sing everyday
And we'll learn throughout the year
Singin'...
La-la-la-la
La-la-la-la-la
La-la-la-la-la-la

Come on, come on, come on
And clap your hands with me
Come on, come on, come on
And tap your feet with me
Now do them both together
It's easy as can be
When you do them both together
You'll do them just like me

Chorus

Come on, come on, come on Sway back and forth with me Come on, come on, come on And roll your hands with me Now do them both together It's easy as can be When you do them both together You'll do them just like me

Chorus

Come on, come on, come on
And pat your lap with me
Come on, come on, come on
And shake your head with me
Now do them both together
It's easy as can be
When you do them both together
You'll do them just like me

Chorus

#### **Activity Suggestions**

Use this activity song to start each classroom day on a great note. The chorus is repetitive and the movements are simple and contained within the lyrics. Try playing along during the chorus with different instruments or allow the children to create some rhythmic hand play patterns alone or with partners. Use the song as a springboard for discussion about the exciting things you will be doing together each day.

2. Seven Days A Week

By John Lennon & Paul McCartney Adapted by Stephen Fite

The week has seven days, yeah
Guess you know it's true
Hope you know their names, yeah
Just the way I do

The week has seven days, yeah Seven days a week I love every day, yeah Each one is so fine

One thing I can say, yeah

They always stay in line

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday

Then there's Saturday

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

Chorus

Seven days a week I love you Seven days a week It's so much time for us to share

The week has seven days, yeah Guess you know it's true Hope you know their names, yeah Just the way I do  $\,$ 

Chorus

Seven days a week
I love you
Seven days a week
It's so much time for us to share

The week has seven days, yeah Guess you know it's true Hope you know their names, yeah Just the way I do

Chorus

Seven days a week Seven days a week

children's favorite days.

### Activity Suggestions

This is a new "old classic" that you will hopefully enjoy as much as your kids. During the song have the kids say the days with Stephen. Make signs for each day of the week. Have children hold the signs during the song and instruct them to raise their day as it is sung. After the song, scramble the children holding the signs and allow the class to put them back in sequential order. Graph the

## 3. You Are My Sunshine

Traditional

You are my sunshine
My only sunshine
You make me happy
When skies are gray
You'll never know dear
How much I love you
Please don't take my sunshine away

#### **Activity Suggestions**

Use this tune as an opportunity to discuss friendship and love. Have the children write/dictate a letter or story that starts with the words, "You Are My Sunshine because..." During the instrumental section, have the kids play their favorite "air dixieland instruments." They can choose between piano, drums, banjo, trumpet, trombone, clarinet or tuba.

#### 4. Blues On Kazoo

by Stephen Fite

Hey, boys and girls
All over the world
Let me tell you 'bout
The coolest sound
That I've ever heard
It's called kazoo
And here's what we're gonna do
Now I'll play a line
Then you play it, too
Together we'll play the blues on kazoo
Here we go

You're learnin' how to play the blues on kazoo

Repeat verse

You know how to play the blues on kazoo
You know how to play the blues on kazoo
You know how to play the blues

#### **Activity Suggestions**

You will need kazoos for this unique activity. If you don't have kazoos, you can fold wax paper or plain paper around a comb and hum on the paper. After you hear Stephen say, "Here We Go," have the children copy/repeat every kazoo melody line that

Stephen plays. Space has been left after each solo line so that the children can copy it exactly. It may take a few times to get the hang of this activity, but when you do, you'll know how to play the blues on kazoo!

### 5. The Countdown

by Stephen Fite

It's the countdown
The number countdown
From one hundred to one
It's the countdown
The number countdown
We'll count until we're done

100-99-98-97-96-95-94-93-92-91 90-89-88-87-86-85-84-83-82-81 80-79-78-77-76-75-74-73-72-71 70-69-68-67-66-65-64-63-62-61 60-59-58-57-56-55-54-53-52-51

Everybody's on the floor
Everybody wants some more
Let's keep on countin' them down
Everybody's havin' fun
All the way to number one
Let's keep on countin' them down

50-49-48-47-46-45-44-43-42-41 40-39-38-37-36-35-34-33-32-31 30-29-28-27-26-25-24-23-22-21 20-19-18-17-16-15-14-13-12-11 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1

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### Activity Suggestions

We're countin' them down from 100 to 1 and never thought numbers could be such fun! This will be a great supplement for your 100th Day Of School curriculum. The count is divided in half - from 100 to 51 and 50 to 1. During the song, allow the kids to do some disco dancing when they're not counting.

### 6. Twelve Months In A Year

by Stephen Fite

There are twelve months in the year
Yes indeed, twelve months every year
There are twelve months in the year
Yes indeed, twelve months every year
Can you say them with me now
If you can't then let me show you how
Do you think you know them all by heart
If you don't then I know where to start
Now listen one and all
As we travel through Winter, Spring, Summer, Fall
We'll say the names in English first

January - Enero

Then in Espanol

February - Febrero

March - Marzo

April - Abril

May - Mayo

June - Junio

July - Julio

August - Agosto

September - Septiembre

October - Octubre

November - Noviembre

December - Deciembre

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There are twelve months in the year
Yes indeed, twelve months every year
Can you say them with me now
If you can't then let me show you how
Do you think you know them all by heart
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Now listen one and all

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Then in English next

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Febrero - February

Marzo - March

Abril - April

Mayo - May

Junio - June

Julio - July

Agosto - August

Septiembre - September

Octubre - October

Noviembre - November

Deciembre - December

## **Activity Suggestions**

A fun tune that will aid your kids in learning their months in English and Spanish. During the song

have the kids repeat the months with Stephen and friends. Adapt and apply curriculum suggestions from Seven Days A Week. Break out the rhythm instruments - shakers, cabasa, etc., and play along.

## 7. Have Some Fun Today

by Stephen Fite

Our friends are here

We're gonna have a good time

Everywhere

We're gonna spread some sunshine

Happy faces

Time to chase the clouds away

We work together

Just the way it should be

Our voices singing Each one in harmony

Here we go

We've got a lot to learn today

Ooh, everyday

When we sing together

Everything will be okay

Ooh, in every way

We're gonna have some fun today

Shoes are tapping Everyone's got happy feet Clap your hands

Cause that's the way to keep the beat

Keep it moving

Now I think we're on our way

Rockin' music

Makes the day so fun now

Catch the rhythm

Come on let me show you how

You know

We've got to have some time to play

Chorus

#### **Activity Suggestions**

This upbeat song can be used as background music during free time, art activities or as a rhythm activity or even during circle time as a jumping off point for a discussion on fun, friendship and togetherness. Have the kids join hands in a circle or clap and sway to the music. Make the line, "We're Gonna Have Some Fun And Learn Today," your classroom slogan.

## 8. Say The Number

by Stephen Fite

When I say the word fun You say the number one

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You say the number two		Tree - Three	Do-do-do
When I say the word tree	When I say the word pen	Shoe - Two	Feelin' groovy
You say the number three	You say the number ten	Fun - One	
When I say the word door	When I say the word line	I hope you had fun	I've got no deeds to do
You say the number four	You say the number nine	From ten to one	No promises to keep
When I say the word live	When I say the word late	Cause this song is done	I'm dappled and drowsy and ready for sleep
You say the number five	You say the number eight		Let the morning time drop all it's petals on me
When I say the word fix	When I say the word heaven	Activity Suggestions	Life I love you
You say the number six	You say the number seven	A rockin' "phonemic awareness" tune that will have	All is groovy
When I say the word heaven	When I say the word fix	your kids bouncin' in their seats to count from 1	
You say the number seven	You say the number six	to 10 and back again. After they have learned the	La, la, la, la, la, la, la
When I say the word late	When I say the word live	song, find and chart other words that rhyme with the	La, la, la, la, la, la, la
You say the number eight	You say the number five	numbers in the song.	La, la, la, la, la, la, la
When I say the word line	When I say the word door		La, la, la, la
You say the number nine	You say the number four	9. Feelin' Groovy	Feelin' groovy
When I say the word pen	When I say the word tree		
You say the number ten	You say the number three	by Paul Simon	Activity Suggestions
	When I say the word shoe		This is just one of those songs that is fun to
Fun - One	You say the number two	You move to fast	sing. Talk with your children about the meaning of "groovy." Just in case you are too young to
Shoe - Two	When I say the word fun		
Tree - Three	You say the number one	You've got to make the morning last	remember: cool, fun, great, exciting, etc. Have a
Door - Four		Just skippin' down the cobblestones	"groovy day" in your class and allow the kids to
Live - Five	Pen - Ten	Da-da-da-da-da-da-da	dress up like the '60s. Tie Dye Shirts, Cool Glasses,
Fix - Six	Line - Nine		Bell Bottom Jeans, etc.
Heaven - Seven	Late - Eight		
Late - Eight	Heaven - Seven	Hello lamp post	
Line - Nine	Fix - Six		
Pen - Ten	Live - Five	What you knowin'	
		I've come to watch your flowers growin'	

Door - Four

Ain't you got no rhymes for me

When I say the word shoe

Let's do it again

# 10. What's The Weather Outside

by Stephen Fite

What's the weather outside
Can you tell me
What's it doin' outside
Is it sunny, is it cloudy
Is it rainy or dry

What's the weather outside
Can you tell me
What's it doin' outside
Is it foggy, is it windy
Is it cool or warm

Look out your window And tell me what you see Cause I've just got to know

"This is Windy Day with KIDS Radio and today I want you to help me with the weather report."

"Today the sky is \_\_\_\_\_."

"The temperature outside feels \_\_\_\_."

"Is there any precipitation \_\_\_\_.?"

"Is there any wind today \_\_\_\_?"

Look out your window And tell me what you see Cause I've just got to know

What's the weather outside Can you tell me What's it doin' outside

Sunny, cloudy, rainy, dry
Just look up into the sky
Cold, snow, ice, sleet
Please don't drive on the streets

What's it doin' outside

#### **Activity Suggestions**

This funky tune will make your morning circle time weather forecast fun and exciting. Simply plug in the answers when Windy Day, the weather lady, asks you for help. During the weather report, have everybody wear sunglasses when it's sunny outside and leave them off when it's not. Have everybody wipe the imaginary sweat off their forehead when it's hot and wrap their arms around themselves when it's cold. Hold umbrellas when it's raining and hold onto your hair when it's windy. You can think of all sorts of ways to help your kids visualize the weather.

## 11. Stand Up

by Gary Gassel & Pam Tims

Red, it's a pretty color It's bright and red is fun Is anybody wearing red today If so stand up

I bet alot of you are wearing white You can see white even at night Look and see if you're wearing white If so stand up

Now here's a color that's new Is anyone wearing blue Now blue can be dark or the lightest you've seen And how about all of you wearing blue jeans Come on stand up

Next is the color green
The prettiest color I've seen
Are you the one who's wearing green
If so stand up

Yellow is the color of the sun
It brings a smile to everyone
If you're wearing yellow then you're so much fun
If so stand up
How about orange or brown

For those of you still sitting down Are you wearing orange or brown Check and see now by looking down If so stand up

Now everyone should be standing There should be no one sitting down But if there is, well, they're our winner So come on now, it's your turn Stand up

#### **Activity Suggestions**

This is a simple color reinforcement activity that invites the children to stand up when they hear a color they are wearing. For a little variation, instead of standing have the children call the name of someone wearing the color that is called or have the children point to something around the room that is the color called.

#### 12. Count On

by Stephen Fite

Count on
When somebody says a number
Count on
Count on from there
Count on
Count two more from that number

Count on
Count until you're there

If somebody says two
Count like this: 2-3-4
If somebody says eight
Count like this: 8-9-10
This is counting you can do
All you have to do is add two

#### Chorus

When somebody says \_\_\_\_ Count like this: \_\_- -\_ -\_ When somebody says \_\_\_ Count like this: \_\_- -\_ \_ This is counting you can do All you have to do is add two

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Chorus

#### **Activity Suggestions**

This participatory counting song was written to drill the children on the sequencing of numbers using a method widely known in the math community as "Counting On." The first verse of the song gives you examples to follow. The next two verses include blank spots for you to insert numbers from which you and the kids will continue counting two more numerals. Ex: Say the number 3 and then count 3 - 4 - 5. Once the children become comfortable with the concept, try counting on 5 more places during the verses. Just double up on the beats. Ex: Say the number 3 and then count 3 - 4 - 5 - 6 - 7 - 8. Put the kids in groups of 3 or 6 and let the 1st child say the 1st number, the 2nd child say the 2nd number and so on.

#### 13. School's Out, Let's Shout

by Gary Gassel & Pam Tims

School's out, let's shout Let's shout hooray School's out Tell me all about today We played learning games in our school today Teacher says a job well done And we all had so much fun, hooray School's out, let's shout Let's shout hooray School's out Tell me more about today

We played learning games in our school today And teacher says a job well done And we all had so much fun, hooray

School's out, let's shout Let's shout hooray

#### **Activity Suggestions**

A rockin' tune that promotes fun and unity and can be used as an end of the day discussion tool to prompt your children to talk about the things you did and learned as a class. There is a long instrumental section during which the kids can give examples of the things they learned and most enjoyed about the day. You can play this song as a daily signal to your class that it's time to clean up and prepare to leave.

# **14. See Ya Later Alligator**

by Stephen Fite

We need some fun new words to say
Each time we go our separate ways
I'm gettin' bored with goodbye
Hope to see you soon
I found a real cool phrase
We can sing to a rock 'n roll tune

See ya later alligator After while crocodile Every time I hear those words I'm gonna smile for awhile See ya later alligator After while crocodile So long, farewell, bye-bye

See ya later alligator
After while crocodile
Every time I hear those words
I'm gonna smile for awhile
See ya later alligator
After while crocodile
So long, farewell, bye-bye
So long, farewell, bye-bye
So long, farewell, bye-bye
Bye-bye-bye
Bye-bye-bye-bye

#### **Activity Suggestions**

Looking for a cool new way to say goodbye? Then this is the song for you. And your kids will love it, too. Brainstorm with your kids and make up a dance for the solo section or movements for the chorus. Encourage your children to play some piano or guitar during the solo. Whatever you do, just have fun saying bye - bye. And, one more thing - wear some shades.

# 15. You've Got A Friend In Me

by Randy Newman

You've got a friend in me
You've got a friend in me
When the road looks rough ahead
And you're miles and miles from
your nice warm bed
You just remember what your old pal said
Cause you've got a friend in me
You've got a friend in me

You've got a friend in me
You've got a friend in me
You've got troubles
I got 'em, too
There isn't anything I wouldn't do for you

If we stick together we can see it through
Cause you've got a friend in me
You've got a friend in me

Some other folks might be a little bit ---smarter than I am Bigger and stronger, too, maybe But none of them will ever love you the way I do

And as the years go by
Our friendship will never die
You're gonna see it's our destiny
Cause you've got a friend in me
You've got a friend in me
You've got a friend in me

It's me and you now

### **Activity Suggestions**

Use this popular movie tune to springboard your class into a discussion on friendship. Sing the song together while holding hands or locking arms together. Have them dictate or write a story about their friends or friendship and what it means to be a friend.

# **Credits**

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by Randy Newman

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School's Out, Let's Shout and Stand Up
by Gary Gassell & Pam Tims
Feelin' Groovy (59th Street Bridge Song)
by Paul Simon
You Are My Sunshine
Traditional

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