



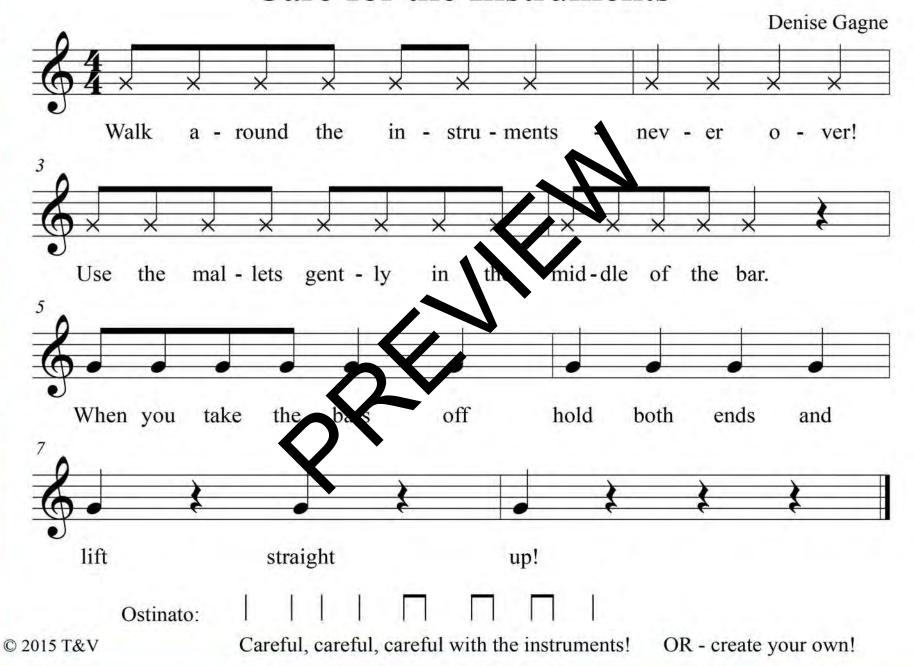








Care for the Instruments





If you play before I say, I'll take your instrument away.



Music Room Rules



Process

- 1. Have the students read the read ms.
- 2. Read the words in rhythr
- 3. divide the class into 2 groups one reads the rules, the other does the ostinato
- 4. Give the students a suggested body percussion to go with the first line.

For example: stomp stomp stomp pat pat pat pat pat pat pat

5. Read the second line and have students each create a body percussion pattern for it. Keep a beat on a woodblock or a drum and have them do the line four times, working out a body percussion. Divide the class in half and have one have perform and the other half of the class watch. The watchers should choose several performances that they like. As a class choose one body percussion pattern to use for the second line. Switch roles for the third and fourth lines.

- 6. Choose instruments to play the ostinato.
- 7. Decide on a form for performance For example:
- drum and say the ostinato 2x as an intro
- ostinato continues while chant is performed 2x
- end with the ostinato 2x dim.

Audience Behavior



Process

- 1. Have the students read the rhythm
- 2. Read the words in rhythr
- 3. divide the class into 2 groups one reads the rules, the other does the ostinato
- 4. Give the students a suggested body percussion to go with the first line.

For example: stomp stomp stomp pat pat pat pat pat pat pat pat

- 5. Divide the class into four groups. Give each group one line of the chant and have them create accompaniment with body percussion.
- 6. Choose instruments or body percussion to play the ostinato.

- 7. Decide on a form for performance For example:
- drum and say the ostinato 2x as an intro
- ostinato continues while chant is performed 2x
- end with the ostinato 2x dim.

Use this as an opener for a performance. Parents as well as students need to be educated about audience behavior.

Non-pitched instruments

It would also be fun to give groups of students non-pitched instruments and have them create an accompaniment for one line of the chant.





These two posters are not part of the lesson plan. They are to be posted in you classroom and referred to whenever the students need a reminder about how to lift the bars off or a reminder not to play before it's time.

Some Hints for reducing chaos when handing out instruments:

Give the instruments out as quickly as you can. I have a group of 24 dreschoolers. Before I start passing out instruments, I ask them what happens when they go to dinter anyone pason at the table gets their meal first. Does the first person who has food start eating or do thet was for earlyone to get their meal? (They wait) Then I explain that when we get instruments it's only fair if the lirst person to get an instrument waits until everyone has theirs. As soon as the instruments are all given at (us ally on the floor in front of the kids) I tell them to pick them up and play along with me.

This chant comes from the collection **Rhythm strum int Fun** It's a very effective classroom management pol!

Play the Instruments

Play the instruments quickly quickly, quickly

Play the instruments quickly, quekly, stop!

Play the instruments slowly, slowly, slowly,

Play the instruments slowly, slowly, stop!

Play the instruments quietly, quietly, quietly,

Play the instruments quietly, quietly, stop!

Play the instruments loudly, loudly, loudly,

Play the instruments loudly, loudly, stop!

This has been really effective! It was so effective that I wrote a song to do the same thing. Play and Stop is found in the collection *Rhythm Instrument Fun*.

Canada - link to Rhythm Instrument Fun: http://shop.musicplaytext.ihoststores.com/productinfo.aspx?productid=RIF-D

USA - link to Rhythm Instrument Fun http://shop.musicplaytext1.ihoststores.com/productinfo.aspx?productid=RIF-D