

New Twists on Storytime
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Template for Planning a Special Storytime Program

Name of Event: Dance Party Storytime

Date of Event: Saturday, October 15, 2106, 10:30am.

Intended age group: Toddlers through age seven

Theme (optional): Animals.

Introduction – simple stretches and warm up: Jumping Jacks.

First movement song (not sung to any music) - “Shake Your Sillies Out”
(Examples: “Head, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes,” “If You’re Happy and You Know It,” “Ring Around the Rosie”).

Song on CD or MP3 - From *Miss Carole’s Polka Dots!* by Carole Stephens: “Whoops, Johnny!” using each child’s name in the song.

Song on CD or MP3 - From *Miss Carole’s Polka Dots!* by Carole Stephens: “(Down on) Grandpa’s Farm” with animal noises.

Book break – *Felix Stands Tall* by Rosemary Wells. Fiona tells her best friend Felix that they will dance for the school talent show.

Beanbag Song on CD or MP3 – From *Bean Bag and Ball Play* by Michael Plunkett: “Pass and Clap” activity with beanbags.

Song on CD or MP3 – From *Dancin’ In the Kitchen: Songs for All Families* by Cathy Fink and Marcy Marxer: “Dancin’ in the Kitchen.”

Scarf Song on CD or MP3 – From *Miss Carole’s Dancing Feet* by Carole Stephens: “Dancing Scarf Blues” activity with scarves.

Song on CD or MP3 - *Dancin’ In the Kitchen: Songs for All Families* by Cathy Fink and Marcy Marxer: “Home” (calm down song).

Book break – *I Got the Rhythm* by Connie Schofield-Morrison. Mother and daughter hear rhythm all around them on their walk to the park.

Finale Song – “Sally Goes Round the Sun” (circle dance)

www.mothersgooseclub.com/videos/sally-go-round-the-sun-nursery-rhyme/

Extra Stations set up:

Sibling Coloring Corner (two tables and chairs)

Quiet Reading Corner (carpet squares and pillows)

Hydration Station with water and orange wedges

Ribbon Dance Craft (one table and chairs): <http://partycraftsecrets.blogspot.com/2012/05/parent-submission-ballet-party-craft.html>

Other books that are fun for a Dance Party Storytime:

Andreae, Giles. *Giraffes Can't Dance*.

Asch, Frank. *Moondance*.

Carle, Eric. *From Head to Toe*.

Craig, Lindsey. *Dancing Feet*.

Cronin, Doreen. *Wiggle*.

Donovan, Mary Lee. *"Won't You Come and Play with Me?"*

Dorros, Arthur. *Ten Go Tango*.

Durango, Julia. *Cha Cha Chimps*.

Feiffer, Jules. *Rupert Can Dance*.

Hanson, Warren. *Bugtown Boogie*.

Isadora, Rachel. *Max*.

Jonas, Ann. *Color Dance*.

Kohugh, Jane. *Duck Sock Hop*.

Mitton, Tony. *Down by the Cool of the Pool*.

Ray, Mary Lyn. *Deer Dancer*.

Rueda, Claudia. *Let's Play in the Forest While the Wolf Is Not Around*.

Schaefer, Carole Lexa. *Full Moon Barnyard Dance*.

Tricarico, Christine. *Cock-a-Doodle Dance!*

Walton, Rick. *How Can You Dance?*

Wilson, Karma. *Hilda Must Be Dancing*.

Winthrop, Elizabeth. *Dumpy LaRue*.