



trumpet, trombone, banjo, drums
ecology, earth day

Oh When The Sun

Sing with hope for the world in which we live. Try the instruments only version for the feel of Dixieland jazz.

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a cappella count-in: 1and2and3O when the...

melody: folksong

United States

words: L. Clare

Canada 1995

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num-ber _____ When the sun shines through the clouds.

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Oh how I want to be in that number,
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Oh how I want to be in that number,
When the sky is blue again

3 Oh when the lakes, are clear and clean, ...

4 Oh when the trees grow tall and green, ...

5 Oh when the harvest feeds us all, ...

6 Oh when the world lives all at peace, ...

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New Song: Oh When the Sun

- 1** "When we look around us and see litter on the school yard, or lakes that are too polluted to swim in, or people taking more than their fair share, we know that the world is not the way we would like it to be. Earth Day is a time to think about the things we hope for the world. Think about one thing you hope for the world and be ready to tell us." (Depending upon previous classroom discussions of Earth Day --draw out student hopes for the world.) **"This song has six hopes for the world. Listen carefully and see how many you can hear and remember."**
- 2** "Hands up if you can name one of the hopes from song." (Give hints, if necessary, to come up with the six hopes from the song.)
- 3** Either post the words, or draw a quick reminder for each verse on white board, e.g. sun, blue colour, lake, tree, cornucopia, globe.
- 4** "There are some words that are the same in every verse. What are they?" (Oh how I want to be in that number) Teach the tune for this line using echoes. Play/sing the song again with students doing the actions and singing the repeated line.
- 5** Now students sing the whole song.

Adding Movement

and/or Visual Art Connection

Song: O When The Sun

Students create movements/actions for each repeated line in the song **O When the Sun.**

Divide the class into 6 sections.
Each section is assigned one of the verses in the song to illustrate.

Make a slide show of the illustrations to use while singing the song OR record students singing with the instrumental mp3, combine this with a slide show of student made illustrations.

Note: Permission is given to use the instrumental mp3s for recording with student singing for "take home" or sale purposes. Money raised might be used to buy musical instruments for the classroom.

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