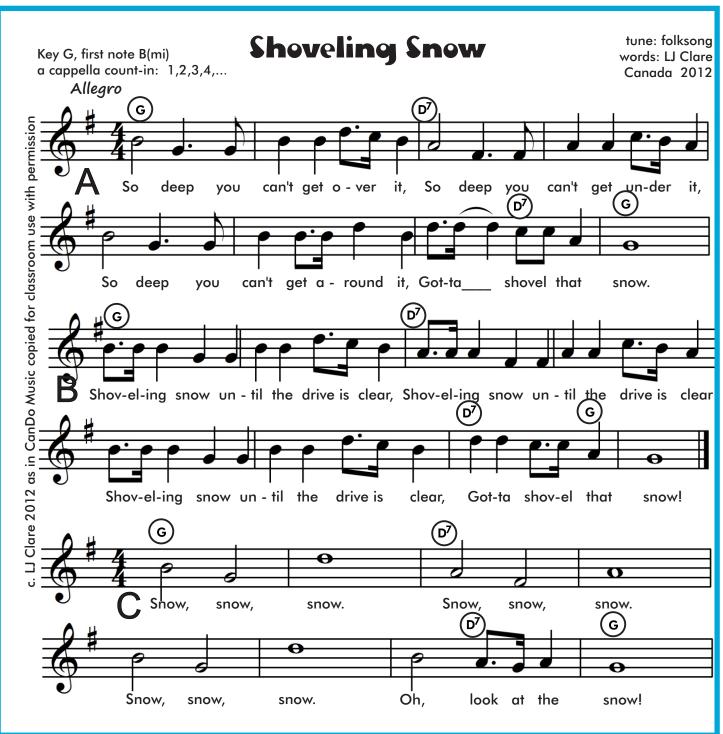


funky percussion, keyboard harmony, rhythm partner songs

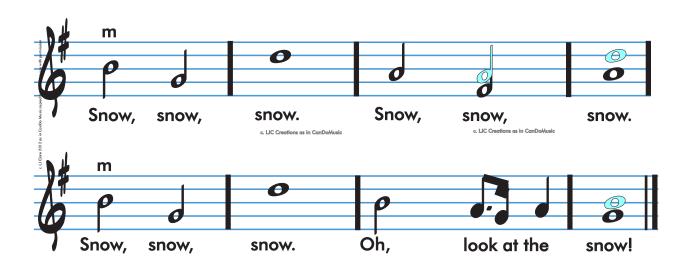
## Shoveling Snow So Deep Snow Snow Snow

Snowy words to three partner songs based on the familiar "Rock-a-my Soul" trio. Built into the video is reenforcement of "tim-ri ta". Mix and match for harmony practice with voices or instruments.











## New Song: Snow, Snow, Snow Part A



"What is so deep you can't get over it (raise hands up high), so deep you can't get under it (put hands down low), so deep you can't get around it (put hands out to each side)? (Take several guesses.) **SNOW!** 



- 1. Sing (or say) the words to Part A above in the rhythm of the song, pat knees, clap and do hand actions.
  - 2. Repeat once, students listening again.
  - 3. Say each phrase with students echoing both the words/rhythm, clap and hand actions.
  - **4.** Say Part A --teacher and students together with actions.

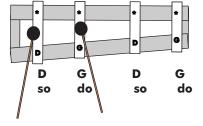
If you haven't been singing the phrases, now is the time to teach the melody either using your own voice, or the rote learning recording.

Playing a beat pattern during a song with harmony will help keep students together. Harmonizing parts are kept in sync when people singing them maintain the same tempo/speed.



On the first word of each phrase i.e. "so, so, gotta" play both D and G (so and do) together. Since students have already practised the instrumental part (pat knees), explain the change to an instrument and try it out with singing. Repeat several times until it is easily done.





Any pitched instrument will work --boomwackers, keyboard, xylophone.



Naming Harmony

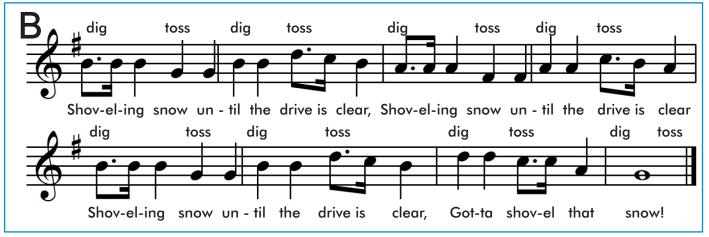
"(Name student playing the instrument) has been playing two notes, two sounds during the singing. The singers were only singing one sound/note at a time. Two notes on the instrument, one note from the singers ---when different notes are done at the same time during music, it's called harmony. Harmony makes music "bigger" and more interesting to listen to. But, to make harmony takes excellent brains, because our ears might hear one sound and our voices might need to make a different sound! song again --using your very good brains to listen to the instrument while your voice is singing."



"What is the music word for different pitches/sounds/notes together? (harmony) Yes --harmony. Singers can make harmony without instruments. Sometimes, singers let their voices be the instruments. Like this:

- 1. Divide the class into three groups.
- 2. Teach the first group to sing "Gee" on a G-pitch.
- 3. Teach the second group to sing "Dee" on a D-pitch.
- **4.** Practice having these two groups sing at the same time.
- **5.** Now the Gee and Dee groups sing instead of the glockenspiel playing, while the third group sings the song.

instead of playing the glockenspiel, use voices to sing the notes





"Well done. Harmony is amazing eh? This song has another way to make harmony. You learned Part A. When you learn Part B ---it can be sung at the same time as Part A to make harmony.

Time for learning Part B: If the snow is really, really deep on the driveway, what needs to happen?" (shoveling)

- **1.** Say/sing Part B using the rhythm of the song. To help reenforce the beat (vital to harmony that is harmonious), pretend hold a shovel, dig down on beat 1, then empty the shovel on beat 3.
- 2. Invite students to say the words and dig with you.
- **3.** Teach the melody either using your voice or the rote learning recording.



Time to practice!

Sing Part A, then, immediately, sing Part B.

Try reversing:

Sing Part B, then, immediately, sing Part A.



## Add harmony!

Divide the class into 2 groups.

First group: Sings Part A, then goes into Part B.

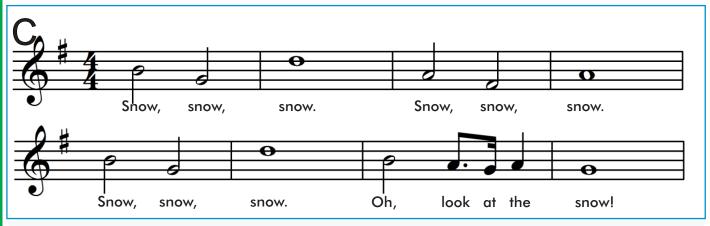
Second group: Listens to Part A, then sings Part A, then sings Part B.

\*Try a few variations ....

- e.g. play the glockenspiel as per Step 3
- e.g. switch parts for the groups
- e.g. try having groups sing only one of the parts, but begin simultaneously

Partner Songs

songs sung at the same time



If harmony is happening fairly easily, then I'd go on and add this part as harmony i.e. sung at the same time as the other two parts. If students are having difficulty keeping to their own parts, then I'd teach this today as an ending that everyone sings together. Another day it may be added as a 3rd part of harmony.



This part is probably the most challenging re melody and rhythm. Pat each knee twice per bar, i.e. right, right, left, left. This pat action will, hopefully, help students to keep the tempo.

1. Say the words while patting knees.

- 2. Students pat knees while teacher says the words.
- **3.** Teacher and students say words and pat knees.
- **4.** Students say words while patting knees, if needed, teacher pats knees to help keep the tempo.
- **5.** Teach the melody using either your voice or the rote learning recording (echo).

Add this part, Part C to the rest of the song --either as another partner to harmonize, or as an ending all sing together. Continue to have groups do their actions as they sing. The combination of voice with body movement keys into the part of learning that isn't conscious.

Patting each knee twice in a row marks 2-beat patterns i.e. the length of singing a half note.

## Music & Movement/Dance

Enough focus on thinking. Take the time that's left today to enjoy putting music and movement together into dance.

Old Brass Wagon Turkey in the Straw Jingle Bells Deck the Halls

A Sailor Went to Sea
--clapping game
Keep the Beat
--step to the pattern





Snow Snow Snow Parts A, B and C

