

We Wanna Rock

Non-Fiction & Nonsense from the Heartland

Lesson Plan



Doggy Doo

Grade Levels

2-3

Objective

Students will identify and write rhymes in the context of poetry and song.

Proficiencies

Listening
Creative Writing
Analysis
Description
Summarizing
Rhyming
Poetry

Subject Areas

Language Arts
Music

Materials

T-Rex CD
Lyric Sheet to "I Stepped in Dog Doo"

Student Divisions

Class
Groups

Teaching Strategies

1. Play the song "I Stepped in Dog Doo" on track #11 of T-Rex's CD.
2. Conduct a short classroom discussion of what the song is about:
 - What happened?
 - How did he feel about it?
 - What did he plan to do about it?

Teaching Strategies Cont.

3. There is something else we can learn from this song, besides how to get dog doo off of your shoe. This song is great at showing us rhyming words. Can anyone tell me what rhyming words are? If not, define this for the students. Play the song again and hand out copies of the lyric sheet. Ask them to circle the rhyming words and connect them with a line.
4. As a class, make a list on the board of the rhyming words in the song.
Examples: doo, shoe, stew, flu, review, taboo, you, kangaroo
5. Ask the students what they notice about the words. (Be sure to help them discover that the rhyming words/sounds are often spelled differently.)
6. Use pair & share to get students to brainstorm other sets of rhyming words with different sounds. Do not limit them to two-word sets.
7. Have the group come back together and share some of their rhyme sets with the class.

Extensions:

1. Write your own poem using as many words from your rhyme sets as possible.
2. Have kids make a poster of their rhyming words and illustrate them. Allow this to be inspiration for future writing exercises.
3. Select some of the poems and collaborate with your music teacher to create songs from them.

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I Stepped in Dog Doo (Thaddeus Rex Lyrics)

I went into the yard and what did I do?
I lowered my shoe into some doggy doo
Yuck!

I stepped in dog doo
I stepped in dog doo
And it's on my shoe

I stepped in dog doo
I stepped in doggy doo
What am I going to do

I stepped in dog doo
And it's on my shoe
I would like to get it off but I'm scared to touch the dog doo

Touch the dog doo
Down there on my shoe
That's it! You! You
Touch the dog doo
Touch the doggy doo

Can I get some help from you
To scrape this dog doo up off of my shoe
Are you sure you don't want to help?
Oh dear, now I can smell the dog doo
Oh! It's a stinky stew
I think this doggy must have been sick with the flu
But I guess too
That it is true
I'm just lucky it wasn't a kangaroo

It's just some dog doo
It's just some dog doo
Down there on my shoe
No big deal, we can take care of this in a jiffy
It's just some dog doo
It's just some dog doo
Just some doggy doo

I tell you what I'm going to do to get this dog doo
Up Off of my shoe
I can probably use the garden hose
And maybe with some shampoo
And my sister's toothbrush too
I think that that will do to clean up all this dog doo

(instrumental)

I'd like to thank you
I'd like to thank you
For the time you spent with this song and now
I'd like to review
From the rear view
A subject that can be a bit taboo I stepped in dog doo