Bluebird Le Through My Window

A song to present half note

Bluebírd, Bluebírd, through my window, Bluebírd, Bluebírd, through my window, Bluebírd, Bluebírd, through my window, Oh, Johnny, aren't you tíred? Take a little girl and tap her on the shoulder, Take a little girl and tap her on the shoulder, Take a little girl and tap her on the shoulder, Oh, Johnny, aren't you tired?

Take a little boy and tap him on the shoulder, Take a little boy and tap him on the shoulder, Take a little boy and tap him on the shoulder, Oh, Johnny, aren't you tired?





Can you find the steady beat?







Can you find the rhythm?









When we tie two quarter notes together, it makes one sound that gets two beats.



We can also write it like this:

This is called a half note. It is one note that gets two beats.

Sing the second part of the song again, using the half note:



Melodic

Practice:

















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Here is the "real" music:





Game Instructions:

Game #1: All students are in a standing circle with arms raised, with palms of hands pressing on their neighbors' hands to form "windows." One person who is "it," or the "bluebird," flies in and out of the windows as the song is sung, and taps boys or girls on the shoulder. These boys or girls hold hands with the leader, forming a line, as the line grows longer and longer, flying in and out of the windows. When the last two children remain in the circle, they become the bridge, as in "London Bridge" or "Apple Tree" and the bluebird leads the line through the bridge. Whoever gets caught in the bridge on "tired" will be the bluebird the NEXT time we play the game.

Game #2: Students stand in a circle with arms raised, forming windows. The student who is "it," or the "bluebird," flies in and out of the windows, and stops at the closest person on the word "tired." The person who is it then asks in a voice that everyone can hear, "Would you like to be the next bluebird?" The person who answers the question now trades places with the one who is it and becomes the next bluebird. Additional verse ideas:

Red bird, red bird, through my window.....

Eagle, eagle, through my window....

Penguín, penguín, ín my ígloo....

etc.

Have fun improvising!

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