“What I hear, I forget. 
What I see, I remember. 
What I do, I know”

~ Confucius
Introduction
aka - I’ve been working on the ...

- Early childhood development
  - Support for music and movement
- Nursery rhymes and songs
  - How do we make them visually accessible?
  - ASL poems
- Take it away...
Early Childhood Development
aka - Boom, Boom, ain’t it great to be crazy!

- Language and literacy development
- Social/emotional development
- Mathematical thinking
- Physical development
- Cognitive development
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Language and Literacy Development

- Understands and follows oral (signed) directions
- Develops a conceptual understanding of new words
- Discriminates and produces rhyming words and sounds
- Repetition/memorization
- Concepts of print
- Comprehension of literary texts
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Social/emotional development

- Takes responsibility for own well-being
- Plays well with other children
- Shares and respects the rights of others
- Follows classroom rules and routines
- Uses classroom materials appropriately
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- Language and literacy development
- Social/emotional development
- **Mathematical thinking**
- Physical development
- Cognitive development
Mathematical thinking

• Present mathematical ideas using words, symbols, visual displays or technology
• Shows understanding of number and quantity
• Sorts objects into subgroups, classifying and comparing according to a rule
• Identify, copy, describe, create, and extend non-numeric patterns
• Shows understanding of and uses direction, location, and position words.
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- Language and literacy development
- Social/emotional development
- Mathematical thinking
- Physical development
- Cognitive development
Physical Development

- Recognize that skills will develop over time with appropriate practice and use of the correct cues
- Coordinates hand-eye movement
- Demonstrates throwing, kicking, and catching skills
- Demonstrates basic locomotor skills
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- Language and literacy development
- Social/emotional development
- Mathematical thinking
- Physical development
- **Cognitive development**
Cognitive Development

- Approaches problems flexibly
- Explores cause and effect
- Compares/measures
- Shows awareness of position in space
- Takes on pretend roles and situations
Cognitive Development
Now that you’re convinced...

- How do we do that?!?
Nursery Rhymes and songs aka - Simple Simon

- Interpret
- Movement
- Modify
- Concept – ASL
Interpret
If You’re Happy and You Know It!

• Literally interpret the song in ASL

If you’re happy and you know it,
Clap your hands.

If you’re happy and you know it,
Clap your hands.

If you’re happy and you know it,
Then your face will surely show it.

If you’re happy and you know it,
Clap your hands.

If you’re happy and you know it,
Clap your hands.

If you’re happy and you know it,
Then your face will surely show it.

If you’re happy and you know it,
Clap your hands.
- Movement
Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star

- Use your body to show the words
- Use physical repetition instead of verbal

Twinkle, twinkle little star
How I wonder what you are
Up above the world so high,
Like a diamond in the sky
Twinkle, twinkle little star
How I wonder what you are
- Movement

Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star
- Modify
Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear

- Physically act out & say/sign the rhyme

Teddy bear, Teddy bear,
Turn around.
Teddy bear, Teddy bear,
Touch the ground.

Teddy bear, Teddy bear,
Stretch up high.
Teddy bear, Teddy bear,
Blink your eyes.

Teddy bear, Teddy bear,
Turn out the light.
Teddy bear, Teddy bear,
Say good night.

BEAR, BEAR,
Turn around. (actually turn)
BEAR, BEAR,
Touch the ground. (hit ground)

BEAR, BEAR,
Stretch up high. (reach arms up)
BEAR, BEAR,
Blink your eyes. (blink 3 times)

BEAR, BEAR,
Turn out the light. (mime flipping switch)
BEAR, BEAR,
Say good night. (lay down on the ground)
ASL poems/ASL literacy aka - Finger Plays
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- Narrative
- Rhythm
- ABC
- Number
- Handshape
ASL poems/ASL literacy aka - Finger Play
Your turn!
aka -Fe! Fi! Fo! FUN!

- Modify
  - Show and say the rhyme
- Interpret
  - Change the wording to ASL
- Movement
  - Use your body to show the words
  - Use physical repetition instead of verbal
- Concept – ASL
  - Make up a poem or rhyme for your unit
References aka -If All The World Were Paper

- Hap Palmer
Additional Resources

- Creative Curriculum
  - http://www.teachingstrategies.com/
- Hap Palmer
  - http://www.happalmer.com/
  - www.movingandlearning.com
  - www.highscope.org
  - www.readyatfive.org
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