



# MUSIC NOTES

## How Do Young Children Learn Music?



Children learn by **LISTENING** - Music should be a frequent and consistent part of each child's daily environment.

Children learn by experimenting on their own through **PLAY** -Song activities that model both active participation and the concept that there is no wrong answer turn music time into play time and promote individual play and experimentation with the music.

Children learn through **REPETITION** -Repetition is a key part of learning. The more times we repeat a thought or experience, the easier it is to remember. Young children thrive on repetition.

Children learn with the support of adult guided **EXPERIMENTATION** -By including the meaningful adults in the child's life (parents, teacher) as part of our song activities, we set up the framework for ongoing adult guided musical interaction, experimentation and support.

### About TMC

Each local teaching center outside Atlanta, Philadelphia and Nashville is individually owned and operates under its own name. The Music Class Inc. is the company that produces the music and books you use in class, and provides training and support for your teacher. Local teachers can adapt our programs, but we all have the same goal in mind: working with parents and caregivers to enable each child to achieve his or her full musical potential.



*-Rob Sayer  
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Children learn when music is presented in a **MEANINGFUL CONTEXT** -At The Music Class we allow children, teachers and parents to adapt songs in whatever ways they please, allowing music to interweave with the meaningful events in children's lives.