

Mama, Will It Snow Tonight?

1st Grade Sound Story Lesson

Story by Nancy White Carlstrom --- Lesson by Matthew Stensrud

- *Great wintertime tale with a song in C pentatonic centered on mi and unpitched percussion to create a soothing sound story*
 - Read children's book with relaxed but consistent rhythm
 - Students speak refrain with rhythm
 - Mama, will it snow?*
 - Mama, will it snow?*
 - Mama, will it snow tonight?*
 - Sing refrain (using melody below)

Mama, Will It Snow?

from *Mama, Will It Snow?* by Nancy White Carlstrom Matthew Stensrud

Ma-ma will it snow? Ma-ma will it snow? Ma-ma will it snow to-night?

- Add body percussion
 - Mama = pat (*both one for ma- or two for ma-ma work*)
 - Snow = snap
 - Tonight = wipe hands quickly (*to keep warm*)
 - No = clap (*not loud but large circle*)
 - Brrr, bare, picked = hands sparkle low to high
 - Thick, white, made = hands sparkle high to low
 - Sure enough... = sound of falling snow on body
- Move to unpitched percussion
 - Mama = small hand drum
 - Snow = triangle
 - Tonight = sand blocks
 - No = large hand drum
 - Brrr, bare, picked = hanging chimes
 - Thick, white, made = chime tree
 - Sure enough... = all instruments, decrescendo
- Other places to add melody
 - No = E
 - No-o snow tonight = A-G-E-D-E (*same structure as melody*)
 - Soon = E
 - Ve-e ry-y soon = A-G-E-D-E
 - It will snow tonight = A-G-E-D-E (*all quarter notes*)