

Train Song

Concepts: vehicles, up/down

Lyrics	Activities / Ideas
<p>There's a train coming 'round Going all through my town There's a train coming 'round today</p> <p>It goes up up up, up the hill It goes down down down, down the hill It goes up up up, up the hill again</p> <p>I can see it on the tracks Coming closer, oh so fast There's a train coming 'round today</p> <p>It goes up up up, up the hill It goes down down down, down the hill It goes up up up, up the hill again</p> <p>Now it turns round and round Then it makes the choo choo sound [Choo Choo!] There's a train going through my town</p> <p>Chuga chuga choo choo</p>	<p>During the song...</p> <p>Make train motions with your arms (back and forth motions), then reach up and down following the lyrics</p> <p>Continue the learning experience...</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Play "I see" ("I spy") while driving. For example say, "I see a red car. What do you see?" 2. Practice language concepts <i>up/down</i> by pushing cars up/down a ramp, or even up/down the legs of a table. Practice concepts <i>in/out</i> by making the car go in/out of a tunnel. You can also practice concepts <i>stop/go</i>, <i>fast/slow</i>, or you can find a big car and little car to practice <i>big/little</i>. There are so many possibilities! Be creative! 3. Look through magazines together and find pictures of vehicles. Cut them out and glue them onto construction paper to make a collage. 4. Read vehicle themed books together. Some personal favorites include: <u>Wheels on the Bus</u> by Paul O. Zelinsky and <u>Inside Freight Train</u> by Donald Crews. 5. Go to the car wash and watch the cars go through the machines. Talk about the vehicles you see ("little red car," "big gray car," etc.) and what is happening ("Here comes the soap!").