Music Soothes The Savage Kid’s Soul
Early Childhood Music

Early Aims for Preschool and Early Elementary
- Knowledge of Same/Different
- Experiences with “matching” or imitation
- Development of sense of resting tone
- Experiences/exploration with improvisation
- Experiences with major/minor and other tonalities
- Experiences with duple and triple, as well as other meters

Songs Set to Storybooks
Here is a list of some of my favorite songs set to storybooks. There are several more out there, but this list is a good start. Many of these books use songs that are very well known. If the song is not known, the music and lyrics are always written in the back of the story.

Author Iza Trapani
- I’m a Little Teapot
- The Itsy Bitsy Spider
- How Much Is That Doggie In The Window?
- Twinkle Twinkle Little Star
- Shoo Fly!
- Baa Baa Black Sheep
- Row Row Row Your Boat
- Oh Where Oh Where Has My Little Dog Gone?

Author Raffi Cavoukian
- If You’re Happy And You Know It
- One Light One Sun
- Down By The Bay
- Baby Beluga
- The Wheels On The Bus
- 5 Little Ducks
- Spider On The Floor

*Over In The Meadow* by Olive A. Wadsworth

*The Ants Go Marching* illustrations by Geoffrey Hayes

*There Once Was a Man Named Michael Finnegan* adapted by Mary Ann Hoberman

*The Completed Hickory Dickory Dock* by Jim Aylesworth

*This Old Man* illustrated by Carol Jones

*Down By The Station* illustrated by Jess Stockham

*Row, Row, Row Your Boat* by Pippa Goodhart

*Pete the Cat* (there are several in this series) by Eric Litwin

*Rain Song* by Lezlie Evans

*There Was An Old Lady . . .* (there are several in this series) by Lucille Colandro

*Let’s Get the Rhythm* adapted by Anne Miranda

**Preschool Music Resources**
- *The Early Childhood Music Curriculum* by Gordon, Bolton, Hicks, & Taggart
- *Music Play* by Valerio, Reynolds, Bolton, Taggart and Gordon
- *The Book of . . .* by Feierabend
- *First Steps in Music: Preschool and Beyond* by Feierabend
- *Movement in Steady Beat* by Weikart
- *Round the Circle* by Carley
- *Move It! and Move It! 2* by Lyman and Feierabend (These are CDs with DVDs of the movements to the music)