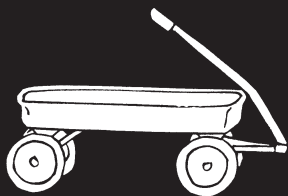




At Music Together, we believe that music is valuable for its own sake, and we know that music-making naturally supports young children's development. Singing and dancing together deepens family bonds and enhances learning—plus, it's fun for everyone!



Making Music at Home!



TAMBOURINE Song Collection Old Brass Wagon

Did you know?

You may have noticed that there's an illustration for "Old Brass Wagon" in your songbook. In addition to being a picture for children to enjoy, song illustrations can be used for song-variation ideas and creative storytelling. Seeing a picture related to a song can help children come up with a new word or phrase for you to sing together. The picture can also stimulate creative storytelling that can be expressed through the variations of the song lyrics.

Try these activities with your child:

As you and your child look at the songbook illustration for "Old Brass Wagon" together (see p. 14), ask or sing some questions:

- "What are the children doing?"
- "Where do you think they're going?"
- "Where would you like to go?"

Use anything your child sees in the picture as a jumping-off point to sing a variation. Or, point out something in the picture yourself; for example, "I see a tire swing, old brass wagon..."

For more ideas, visit www.musictogether.com/familymusiczone, a special section of the Music Together website just for families.
