



Phonological Awareness Literacy Screening

Pre-K

Kindergarten

Grades 1–3

Sing a Song of Sounds

Back to Beginning Sounds

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Procedure

1. Have children sing the following song to the tune of “If You’re Happy and You Know It.”
“If your name begins with /m/, stand up; If your name begins with /m/, stand up; If your name begins with /m/, stand up and take a bow; If your name begins with /m/, stand up!”
2. Repeat with different phonemes and movements such as clapping your hands, turning around, touching your toes, or jumping up and down.

Variation: Have children use picture cards with the song. For example, “If your picture begins with /s/, stand up..”

Source:

Fitzpatrick, J. (1997). *Phonemic awareness: Playing with sounds to strengthen reading skills* (pp. 26). Cyprus, CA: Creative Teaching Press.