

A ctivity	Take Your Feet Out/Mud	Level: K – Grade 3	Heather Nail
Activity	Puddle		
	Singing while moving expressively		
Learning	Exploration of contrasting movement		
Intentions	Speech with body percussion ostinato		
	Speech with found percussion ostinato accompaniment		
Materials	Found percussion (pots, pans, spoons, buckets, jars, etc.)		
Needed	→ Piano (optional)		
Necded	❖ Visual of poem (optional)		
Process	Sing song and teach by rote. Point out the similarities and differences of the first		
	three phrases.		
	▶ Play the movement game; how would you move if your feet were in hot sand? Sticky		
	mud? Icy snow? Explore movement and encourage the singing voices to match the		
	movement. Accompany on the piano (if available) to reinforce the various tempi,		
	articulations and dynamics.		
	Introduce poem either visually or aurally. Use actions to reinforce each phrase. Can		
	you say the poem in your head while doing the actions? Can you say the poem with		
	actions while I do a different part (ostinato)?		
	Teach ostinato. Transfer to body percussion and perform with poem.		
	Transfer ostinato to found percussion, rehearse, and perform poem with percussion.		
Extensions	Create a new ostinato part using other muddy words.		
Assessment	Skills:	All the time So	ometimes I have trouble
	I can move expressively while		
	singing		
	I can speak a poem while		
	performing actions		
	I can speak a poem while		
	performing an ostinato		