

Lab Project #2

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Activity Plan for American Sign Language / Barney Song

Procedure for Activity:

Set- up: Download Barney song and put it up on the Smartboard. Have a printed out sign of the Thank you and Please signs for them to look at.

Transition/Introduction into Activity: Tell the kids to come to the circle center and that they are going to sing a song and learn the sign language signs for please and thank you to the Barney Song.

Each step of the Activity: Have the children sit quietly in their circle, I am going to turn on the song on the Smartboard and ask the children to stand quietly and then press play on the song/smartboard.

Then you sing and sign the song for the children while they watch and sing, then I will replay the song so that they can sing and try on sign along with me.

Transition out of Activity: I will have the children sit back down in their circle and I will sit with the children and re-teach the please and thank you signs and allow them time to practice without the music on.

Questions that I can ask the children about the ASL/Song.

1. Would you like to show your family how to sign please and thank you?
2. How many of you have ever heard the Barney song please and thank you?

3 Children's Books Related to Topic

1. Daniels, Marilyn (2001) *Dancing with Words: Signing for the Hearing Children's Literacy*

This book is about sign language and how sign language can be used to improve hearing in children's English vocabulary, reading ability, spelling, self- esteem and comfort expressing emotions.

2. Nelson, Michiyo (2008) *Sign Language: My First 100 Words*

This book has 100 basic signs in different categories, such as food, colors, animals, and in the classroom. There are also instructions in the book on how to fingerspell the entire alphabet and numbers as well as a poster of the ASL Alphabet.

3. Holub, Joan (2004) My First Book of Sign Language

A beginner's book for finger spelling and sign language. The book contains the signs for each letter of the alphabet along with a word/sign for each letter of the alphabet. Would be great for very young children.