

Songs 4 Teachers

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Mary

14 Theme-related Songs & Poems

Back to School, Confidence, Consideration, Friendship,
Tolerance, Acceptance, Caring, Halloween & More!



Songs & Poems
Written by
Mary Flynn

- ✓ No music to read
- ✓ Simple guitar/autoharp chords included
- ✓ Songs are ready to sing
- ✓ Guitar Chord Reference Chart included with E-Books
- ✓ Poems are written from a child's perspective
- ✓ Guaranteed to bring laughter to children

About the Author

Mary Flynn is an educator with a distinguished career in Elementary Schools in Ontario, Canada. A classroom teacher for 22 years, Mary taught Grades K-8 throughout the course of her career. In addition, she was also the computer technology specialist, librarian and the music teacher at her school.

Retiring from formal teaching duties in September 2000, Mary has been engaged in writing songs and poems, creating her Songs 4 Teachers eBooks and developing her Web Sites. Her Web Site, www.songs4teachers.com has been on-line since 1999. Mary has sold thousands of eBooks to educators, parents and homeschoolers all around the world and she is partnered with a number of premier educational Web Sites which sell her materials. She also owns www.character-kids.com, www.poems4teachers.com and www.personalized-weddingspeeches.com. She's been writing personalized wedding speeches for the past seven years and the business has grown in the last two years so that in the summer months she is often writing 4-5 speeches a week.

About Mary's eBooks – How it happened...

While teaching in the primary grades, Mary wrote more than one hundred theme-related songs, all sung to familiar tunes. She used these songs in her classroom and with all the students in the primary division of her school. The children loved the songs – more importantly, the teachers loved the songs, finding them easy to use and simple to teach. Many of Mary's colleagues did not have any formal music training and found themselves at a loss in terms of presenting music and singing with their students. These songs solved the problem. It was a colleague who pointed out to Mary the need to make these songs available in all classrooms. She began writing theme-related poems in response to further requests from teachers.

"The songs in my E-Books are for every busy primary teacher who needs simple resources, ready-to-sing, with no music to read or musical skill required for understanding. It is for the educator who knows that there is not enough music in his or her classroom and who wants to add more and is invaluable to the teacher who simply needs fun songs related to themes that are familiar to children. The material in my collection is suited to every educator who knows that there will never be sufficient time in the day to locate music resources, listen, learn, write down lyrics and teach the song. These songs are for any teacher wanting to open a book and sing with children. It's as simple as that!

Songs in this collection are guaranteed to bring music and laughter to your classroom and a smile to your face. If you remember your childhood favorites, you can sing these songs.

Use these songs whenever you want to sing with your students or select a specific song related to a theme, season, special occasion or unit of study.

My grade two and three students used these songs as springboards to "write" their own songs.

After being introduced to a number of songs, students were given their task - work independently or with a partner to write a song related to a theme which we were studying in class. Students were given a choice of five or six different songs we had learned to use as their "master song" ~ the childhood favorite. They set about *creating*.

The process was language-based. The challenge was to create lyrics that were not only meaningful but such that they *worked* in the song, following the pattern and rhythm of the original song. The musical presentations at our *Classroom Concert* were well received with all students participating.

The students' innovative ways of presenting their creations were intriguing. But most of all, the children had fun, initially learning the songs and later "writing" their own lyrics and presenting to peers, to Reading Buddies and to other classes in their division.

All the songs in my eBooks use **7** basic guitar chords. I taught myself to play the ukulele and the guitar as a form of "classroom survival" over 20 years ago when I first started teaching and knew I had to incorporate music into my curriculum. I am still surviving ~ and singing.

The songs in this collection are chorded. All my eBooks include a *Guitar Chord Reference Chart* for all chords used in my songs.

For those of you brave enough, teach yourself to play the guitar. You won't regret it.

Feel free to contact me by e-mail at:

mary@songs4teachers.com with suggestions or comments, ideas for songs, or to tell me how you have used songs from my collection.

I love to hear from colleagues.

Happy Singing



Welcome to Our Classroom

(Sung to: Sing a Song of Sixpence)

G
Welcome to our classroom,
D
Come in and sit right down.
D
We are all together,
G
Take a look around.

G
Here inside our classroom
D
There's lots to see and do.
D
I am happy being here
G
And making friends with you!



Here In Our Classroom

(Sung to: Up On the Housetop)

C
Here in our classroom where we play,
F C G
We work hard right here each day.
C
Working together happily,
F C G C
Come and visit and you'll see.

F C
We have fun, we all play,
G7 C
Work and learn throughout our day.

F
Here in our classroom we all play,
C G C
Working together every day.

Character Kids Book 3 - 33 Songs & 12 Poems

For the trait "Confidence"

Confidence

Self-confidence means I'm certain
Of all I say and do.
I don't have doubts - I trust myself...
I try things that are new.

I have **confidence** in other people...
I trust in what they say.
Relying on them brings me peace...
I'm more **confident** each day.

When I'm practicing **self-confidence**,
I'm strong - I have no fears.
When things go wrong, I always know
That there's a lesson here!

For the trait "Consideration"

Consideration Means...

(Sung to: You Are My Sunshine)

^D
Consideration...
^D
Consideration...
^G
Means I am *caring*...
^D
And I am *kind*.
^D ^G
Consideration...
^D
Means helping others...
^D
'Cause reaching out...
^{A7} ^D
Just takes a little time.

Kid Tips for each Trait
are included



Here's a tip...

When you're **FRIENDLY**,
you include everyone when you
play. Next time you see
someone left out, call that
person over to play.
That's **FRIENDLINESS** and
Kindness all in one!

My Best Friend

(Sung to: Oh My Darling Clementine)

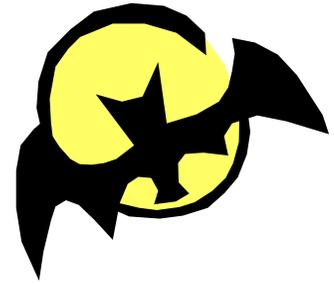
^C
I have friends here in the classroom...
^C ^G
And they're great - you will agree.
^C
But, I learned a little secret...
^G ^C
My best friend is always me!

Tolerance is being able to accept differences in others and not expecting people to speak, act or think just like you. **Tolerance** is knowing that everyone we meet deserves our *respect* because we *honor* who they are. We show this through *courtesy* and *kindness*. Being **tolerant** means *patiently* accepting things that you wish were different.

I'm a Bat

(Sung to: *You Are My Sunshine*)

C
I love the night time
C
The dark, black night time.
F C
And that is when I fly around.
F
I am **NOCTURNAL** ~
C
I love the night time.
C
'Cause I'm a bat,
G7 C
I fly without a sound!



I'm Just a Spider

I'm just a spider, hanging here.
I spin my web all day.
I work so hard now on my web
I don't have time to play.

Some people say I'm scary
And I don't know what for.
But what those people need to know
Is that they scare me **more!**

'Cause I'm just a spider ~ it's my job
To spin my web each day.
I don't try to frighten you...
So be kind with what you say.

With Our Friends

(Sung to: *Frere Jacques*)

C
In our classroom,
C
In our classroom,
C
We're all friends,
C
We're all friends.
C
Play and work together,
C
Play and work together,
C
With our friends,
C
With our friends.

We Are All the Same

(Sung to: My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean)

D *G* *D*
In our class we have many children,
E7 *A7*
We're different but really the same.
D *G* *D*
In our class we have many children,
E7 *A7* *D*
And we know every person by name.



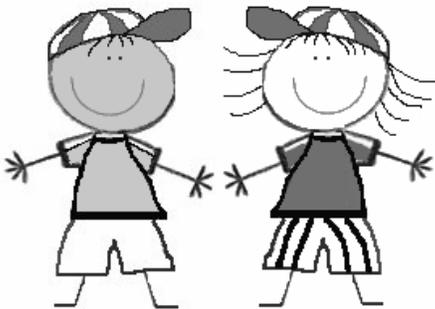
D *G* *A7*
But inside, inside, yes, inside our hearts
D
We're the same, the same ~
D *G*
Inside, inside,
A7 *D*
It's inside God made us the same!
It's inside that we're all the same!
Inside all our hearts we're the same!

Three possible endings
for the song. Choose
the most appropriate.

I Am Special

(Sung to: Twinkle, Twinkle)

C *F* *C*
I am special, I am me.
G7 *C* *G7* *C*
Come and play and you will see.
F *C* *G7*
In our classroom we all play...
C *F* *C* *G7*
Being good friends every day.
C *F* *C*
I am special, I am me.
G7 *C* *G7* *C*
Come and play and you will see.



Tolerance and Acceptance

(Presented in [Character Kids Book 3](#))

I Am Myself

I am myself -- one of a kind.
I think that's pretty great.
I'm perfect just the way I am...
That's what I'll celebrate!

I don't want to change myself...
I'm happy being me.
Accepting others as they are...
Now, that's the way to be.



The Mirror

Whenever I look into the mirror
It won't be to criticize.
My uniqueness and my strengths
Are written in my eyes.

So, I accept myself for who I am.
The reflection that I see
Helps me to understand at last
That I need to accept me.

Now as I try to practice tolerance...
Accepting others openly...
And not judging or excluding...
Makes me a better me.



Character Kids Book 1 Preview – 26 songs & 12 poems

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For the trait
"Caring"



Caring

I try hard to be a **caring** person.
In what I say and do.
I ask you how you're doing...
I'm interested in you!

I can **care** for other people...
For myself – and even pets.
I'm **careful** when I do a job...
I try not to forget!

And when I **care** about myself
Here's what you will see...
I wear clean clothes and brush my teeth,
'Cause **caring** starts with me!



Character Kids Book 1
presents the following traits:

Caring
Determination
Enthusiasm
Generosity
Gentleness
Helpfulness
Kindness
Love
Loyalty
Patience
Peacefulness
Tact

Includes

Tips for Kids
How Can I Show It?
Class Extensions
Home Connections
Teaching Posters
Certificates
Guitar Chord
Chart

For the trait "Enthusiasm"

Kid Tips for each Trait
are included...



Here's a tip...

When you reach out to
someone in a kind way, it
helps both of you!
If you think of teasing
someone, stop and try
some kind words instead.



Tip for "Kindness"

Enthusiastic Friends

(Sung to: Sing a Song of Sixpence)

G
Enthusiastic friends are
D
Fun to be around.
D
They can bring you up when...
G
You are feeling down.

G
They will always say things
D
Like "Wow!" and "That is great!"
D
Enthusiasm travels fast...
D G
So, get yours now, don't wait!

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