

Savez-Vous Planter les Choux?

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vous plan - ter les choux, a la mo - de de chez nous?

English Words

1. Can you plant them as they say,
Cabbages, all in the fashion?
Can you plant them as they say,
As we do it down our way?
2. You may plant them with your foot,
Cabbages, all in the fashion.
You may plant them with your foot,
As we do it down our way.
3. You may plant them with your hand,
Cabbages, all in the fashion.
You may plant them with your hand,
As we do it down our way.

Movement

In a circle, students move counterclockwise for the first 4 measures, then clockwise for the last 4 measures. (Note: For young children, holding hands in a circle is an unpleasant experience involving pulled arms and shoulders.)

Students imitate planting with their feet. It's OK not to be perfectly literal here; it's a game!

Students imitate planting with their hands. Encourage them to actually bend or stoop down while they do this. You're helping build a movement vocabulary that includes lower levels of motion.

Carrying on: The charming story *The Carrot Seed* is a perfect tie-in for small children. The French word for carrot is "carotte." You, the teacher, can sing the French words; then the children can sing the English words they already know and perform the accompanying movement.

Carrying on, part deux: In lieu of singing the French words, let children create new verses by planting with different body parts. Noses and elbows seem like fun to me!