



ROAD TRANSPORTATION

Little Kiddos Music Academy™

Before beginning lessons, please review the materials included in the Little Kiddos Music™ Resource Library for important classroom procedures, teaching tips, instrument guidance, and curriculum implementation support.





Class Snapshot

Theme: Road Transportation

Total Length: 24:52

Before Class Begins

Supplies:

-  **SHAKERS** (egg shakers, maracas)
-  **DRUMS** (and/or assorted percussion instruments)

Educator Tip: If using assorted instruments for *Rockin' Rhythms*, pause the video after each rhythm (played four times) to allow children to safely pass instruments to the next child in the circle.

Audio/Video: Large screen, check audio & video before class

Space:

- Clear a safe movement area.
- Place instruments nearby but out of reach until needed.
- Encourage children to sit in a circle, facing screen whenever possible.
- Minimize outside distractions to support focus and engagement.

Video Section Breakdown

Intro: 0:00–6:56

Full Body Movement #1: 6:57–9:17

Instrument Exploration: 9:18–12:25

Storytime: 12:26–17:28

Full Body Movement #2: 17:29–18:51

Rockin' Rhythms: 18:52–22:57

Pitch Practice: 22:58–23:56

Goodbye: 23:57–24:52

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Learning Targets

Students will:

- Demonstrate steady beat through movement and instrument play.
- Respond physically to changes in tempo.
- Practice listening and following classroom directions.
- Participate in expressive singing and rhythmic play.
- Explore music vocabulary through movement and imaginative play.

Music Concepts & Vocabulary

Music Concepts Practiced

- Steady Beat
- Tempo Changes
- Fast vs. Slow Movement
- Beat Keeping Through Movement & Instrument Play
- Musical Expression
- Listening & Responding

Music Vocabulary

- Tempo
- Presto
- Largo
- Accelerando
- Rhythm
- Forte
- Pianissimo

Featured Songs & Activities

- The Wheels on the Bus
- Five Big Green Garbage Trucks
- Traffic Light
- If You're Riding on Your Bike
- Riding on My Bicycle
- I'm a Great Big Garbage Truck

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After Class

Repeat! For best results, repeat the full class at least twice (or as many times as desired). Repetition helps children learn lyrics, build confidence, strengthen participation, and deepen understanding of musical concepts and vocabulary.

Classroom Extension Activities

Rockin' Rhythm Patterns

Using printed Rockin' Rhythms templates: children place one rhythm card in each beat box, then clap, tap, say, or play the rhythms while keeping a steady beat. Encourage children to create and perform their own lesson-themed rhythm patterns.

Children can echo the rhythm patterns together as a class after listening to another child's pattern, using drums or body percussion while maintaining a steady beat.

Traffic Light Tempo

Use red, yellow, and green circles or cards

Tempo cards (found in Little Kiddos Music™ Resource Library)

Children move bodies (or toy vehicles on the floor), matching tempo and color cue.

- Green = move (teacher or student holds up different tempo cards)
- Yellow = slow/largo
- Red = stop

Connect movement speed to tempo vocabulary and supports body awareness, listening, and direction-following.

Transportation Dramatic Play Center

Create a simple pretend transportation station using:

- Cardboard steering wheels
- Boxes or chairs for vehicles
- Traffic signs
- Maps
- Toy vehicles

Encourage children to use music vocabulary while playing.

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Read-Aloud Extensions

Suggested transportation-themed books:

- [Sheep in a Jeep](#) by Nancy Shaw
- [Little Blue Truck](#) by Alice Schertle
- [Cars and Trucks and Things that Go](#) by Richard Scarry

Encourage children to identify vehicle sounds, tempos, and movements while reading.

Extended Music Experiences

These are suggested pieces of music to play for your students. Some are best for music appreciation, some work well for creative movement, and some can be used for play-along activities using assorted percussion instruments while practicing a steady beat.

Suggested Songs:

- *Hurry, Hurry, Drive the Firetruck* — The Super Silly Kids
- *Route 66* — John Mayer (*Cars* Soundtrack)
- *Life is a Highway* — Rascal Flatts (*Cars* Soundtrack)