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Weekly Lesson

December 17 - 21, 2018

## JINGLE BELLS/SLEIGH RIDE



There are some songs that are so familiar, you can't remember ever not knowing them. This week we feature two winter songs, that fit that category perfectly.

"Sleigh Ride," by Leroy Anderson, was first recorded by The Boston Pops Orchestra, under the direction of Arthur Fiedler, in 1949. To this day, it remains one of the orchestra's signature pieces. The lyrics, by Mitchell Parish, were added the following year, and The Andrews Sisters were the first to record the song, accompanied by those lyrics.



Written and published in 1857, by James Lord Pierpont, "Jingle Bells" is the American song most commonly sung, around the entire world. The song has been immortalized by hundreds, upon hundreds of musicians, including Bing Crosby, Benny Goodman, Louis Armstrong, The Beatles, Judy Collins, Ella Fitzgerald, Barry Manilow, Luciano Pavarotti, Barbara Streisand, Frank Sinatra, Gwen Stefani, NSync, and even The Chipmunks!

## JINGLE BELLS

### CHORUS

Jingle bells, jingle bells.  
Jingle all the way.  
Oh, what fun it is to ride in a  
One-horse, open sleigh.  
*Repeat*

Dashing through the snow,  
In a one-horse, open sleigh.  
O'er the fields we go, laughing all the way.  
Bells on bobtail ring, making sprits bright.  
What fun it is to ride and sing  
A sleighing song tonight.

All Sing A Song songs and activities develop various areas of age-appropriate skills, including language development, gross motor skills, fine motor skills, creative thinking, listening skills, social interaction skills, self-expression, imaginary play, autonomy and self-esteem.

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