

The Letter R

Adapted by Amy J. Kalas
To the tune of "La Bamba"

The musical score is written in 4/4 time and consists of four staves. The melody is in the treble clef. Chords G7, C, and F are indicated above the notes. The lyrics are: "The let-ter R says: rr, rr, rr. The let-ter R says: rr, rr, rr says the let - ter R. The let-ter R says: rr, rr, rr. The let-ter R says: rr, rr, rr says the let - ter R. Rat starts with R. Rat starts with R, the let-ter R." The score includes measure numbers 5, 10, and 15.

* Ideas for implementation:

- Use a large visual with a lower/capital R
- Use pictures of various items - some that start with the letter R (rat, rabbit, raccoon, ring) and some that do not (book, chair, tree). Ask the children to identify the pictures of words that start with the letter R
- Play I Spy and have the children look around the room to find items that start with the letter R