

Playing for Change: Peace Through Music

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How do you change the world?



Where do you start?

How do you connect people?

ONE STUDENT AT A TIME

How do you change the world?

MUSIC - THE UNIVERSAL
LANGUAGE of **PEACE**

The Language of the Spirit



Music is the language of the spirit. It opens the secret of life bringing peace, abolishing strife.

Kahlil Gibran

The Universal Language

Music is the universal language of mankind.

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Get up, Stand Up - Stand Up for Your Rights.

- Find a partner and share a song you remember from when you were in school.
- Can you think of a song that reminds you of a particular event in history?



A Folk Song

A folk song is what's wrong and how to fix it
or
it could be
who's hungry and where their mouth is
or
who's out of work and where the job is
or
who's broke and where the money is
or
who's carrying a gun and where the peace is.

Woody Guthrie

Engaging Students in the Social Studies Classroom

- Engage and motivate students by teaching relevant content.
- Content they are interested in.
- Content connected to real life.

Why Music?

- Music is often one of the only things they really care about.
- It is simply more accessible, interesting and relevant than what typically happens in a classroom.
- Teachers need to learn how to use music
 - to make content accessible
 - more interesting and
 - relevant to students.

Moguel, David (2007)

Students and Music

- Have you noticed those little white buds in your students' ears?

Multiple Intelligences

- Howard Gardner's Theory
- **Musical Intelligence**
 - The ability to produce and appreciate rhythm, pitch and timber.
 - Having a strong sense of universal harmony and awareness of patterns in life.
- The mood of a piece of music might communicate, clearer than words, the feeling of theme being taught.

Music Smart

- “Music smart” people learn best through sounds including listening and making sounds such as songs, rhythms, patterns, and other types of auditory expression.

Music as a Teaching Strategy

- Engaging
- Relevant
- Global

Playing for Change – The Inspiration

- Playing for Change – a multimedia movement created to inspire, connect, and bring peace to the world through music.
- Common belief that music has the power to break down boundaries and overcome distances between people.
- Music has the universal power to transcend and unite us as one human race.

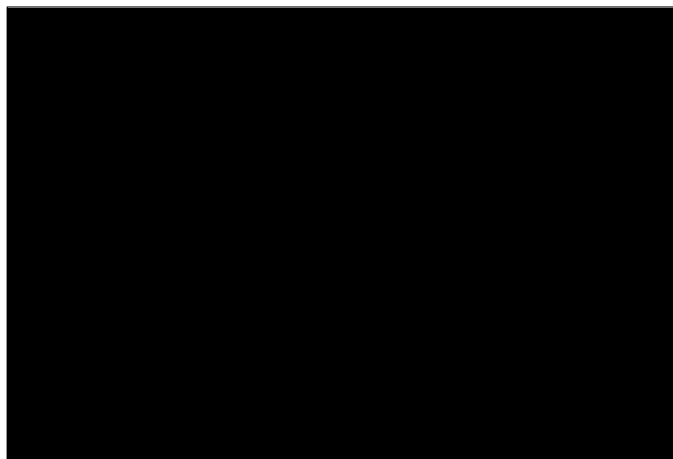
<http://www.playingforchange.com/>



Stand by Me



Stand by Me



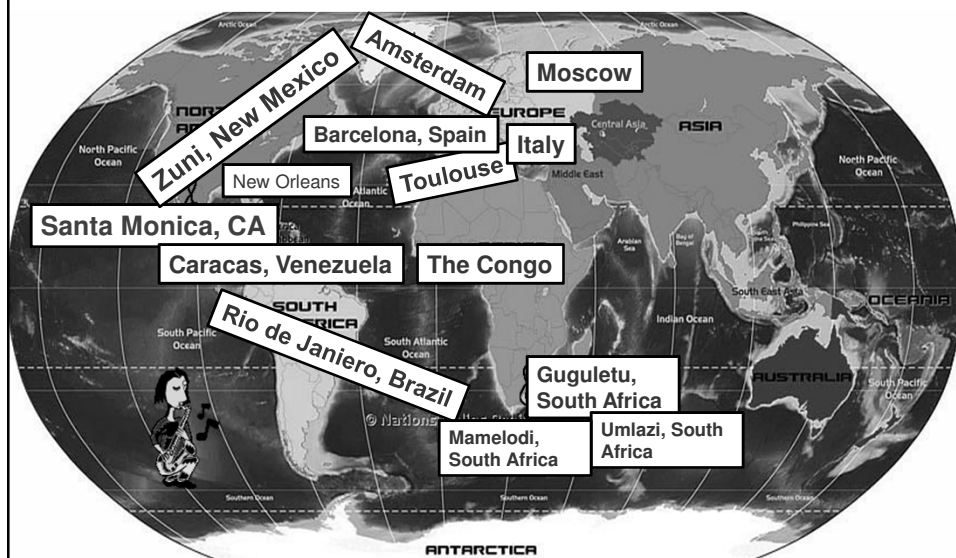
Use the map on page 8 to note all the locations of the artists.

Playing for Change - The Production

- Where the music took us



Stand by Me all over the world



Playing for Change -The Effect

- Playing for Change Foundation

How can teachers use this resource?

Stand by Me Learning Activities

- Elementary
- Middle

Student Samples

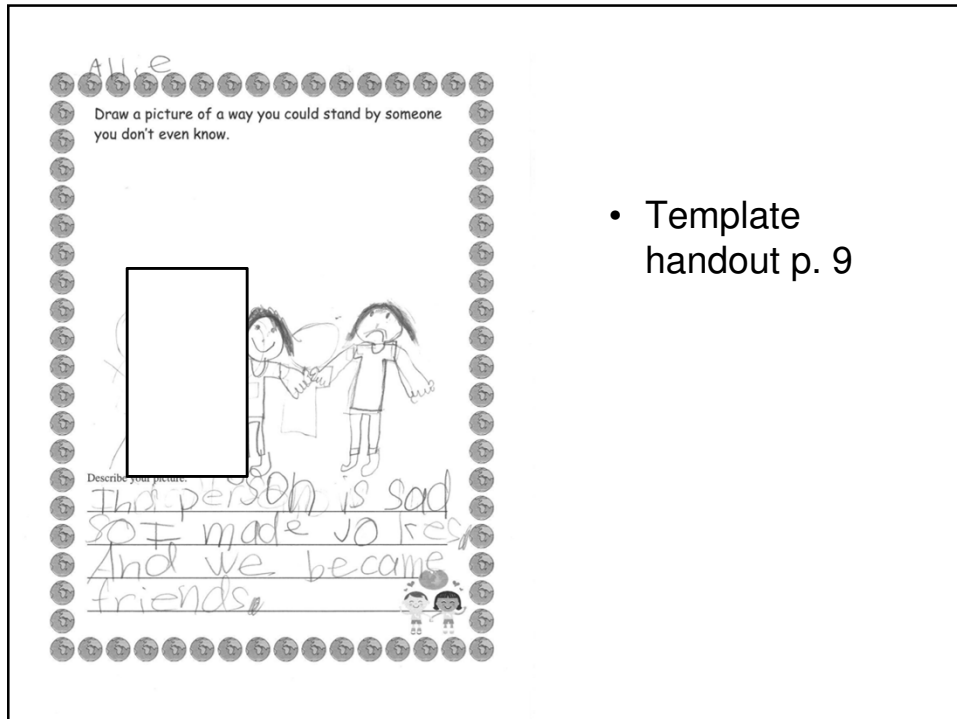
- Template p. 11

Draw a picture of a time when you stood by someone who needed help.



Describe your picture.

I'm helping Anthony
with his Reading
Comprehension Paper.



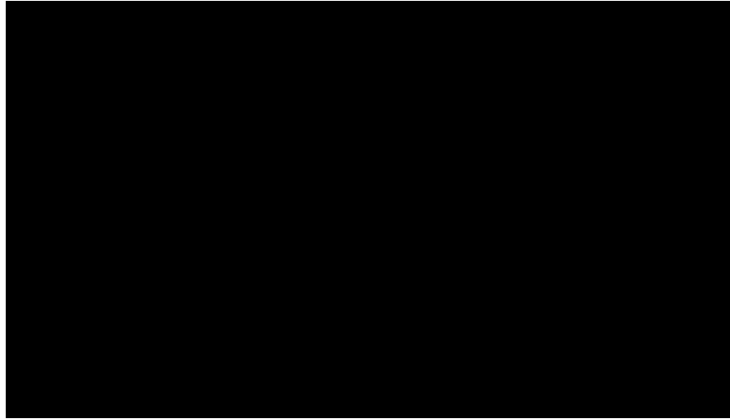
- Template handout p. 9

War/No More Trouble

- Vocabulary
- Poetry
- Who is Bob Marley?
- Bob Marley has paved the way for global connection and mutual understanding everywhere. Millions of people throughout the world continue to sing and hear the words, "Let's get together and feel alright." Words to live by.

Until

- While we listen turn to p.14 (lyrics on p. 13) of your handout and write your new verse.....



Share

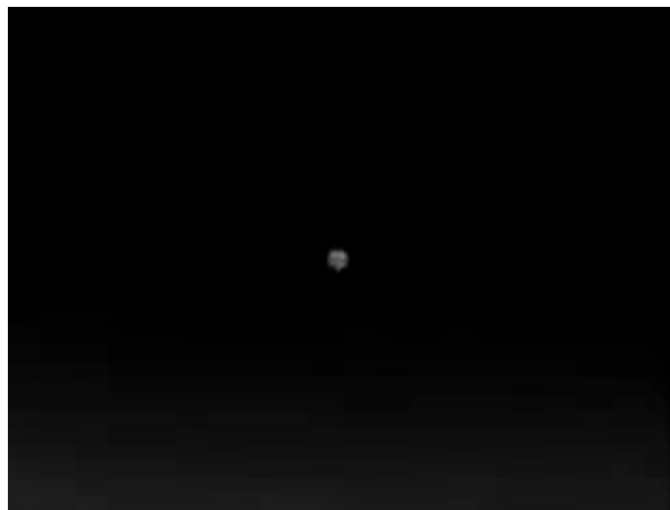
- Turn to a partner and share ways you could use this song/video in your classroom.

Biko

- Stephen Bantu (Steve) *Biko*
- South Africa - world studies, world geography
- Apartheid – history, political science, behavioral science



We are the World



We are the World - 25



Imagine

- Imagine 
- Peace Songs from the Protest Movement 

Literature

- The list is endless. Some are listed on your handout.
- Examples...

Civil Rights

We Shall Overcome – A Song that Changed the World

“Music has the power to bring people together, to give strength, to lift spirits, to provide hope. People everywhere have always turned to music during times of trouble, triumph, despair, and celebration.”

Stotts, S. (2010). *We Shall Overcome: A Song That Changed the World*. New York: Clarion Books.



Lesson Plan at <http://weshallovercomebook.com/>

Resources

- Today's presentation, handouts, resources and more available on my website at <http://faculty.stritch.edu/lcarpenter/>

Closing

- And the Winner is.....
- Listen to the last song
- Think of ways music touches the soul
- Ways you can use music in your classroom
- PEACE

My Peace

My peace my peace is all I've got that I can give to you
My peace is all I ever had that's all I ever knew
I give my peace to green and black and red and white and blue
My peace my peace is all I've got that I can give to you
My peace, my peace is all I've got and all I've ever known
My peace is worth a thousand times more than anything I own
I pass my peace around and about 'cross hands of every hue;
I guess my peace is justa 'bout all I've got to give to you

Woody Guthrie

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