

## MATERIALS LIST:

1. Two or Three Tall Glasses made out of glass (will make a ring tone when tapped)
2. Pencil, Wooden Spoon, or rubber mallet
3. Water



**TIP:** If you have more than one child, take turns letting each child select a tonal pattern to create a fun sequence of patterns.

Making music with items you have around the house is not only affordable, but it can also be lots of fun for your little one. While you might already use pots and pans as a drum set, you can take the music learning up a notch with your water glasses (no fine crystal required!).

Learning to recognize and sing simple tonal patterns is an important musical skill that young children should develop. You can create clear tones your child can hear and match using water glasses filled with water set to various levels. Once you create your own tones on your glasses, you can play matching games, sing songs you know and make up new songs. These activities are a great way to reinforce this important learning for your child.

## INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Fill your water glass with water to create various tones.  
Hint: The more water in the glass, the lower the tone.
2. We recommend reinforcing the tonal patterns used in "The Tuneables" program starting with the tones Do, Mi and Sol (pronounced So) set in the key of D.
3. It is important to set your tones accurately and in tune as you want to reinforce accurate modeling at all times.
4. Use the tuning sources available on our website to set the tones in the water glasses. Adjust the water level in each glass to match these tones.

## Tones:

Do (D above middle C)  
Mi (F# above middle C)  
Sol (A above middle C)

## ACTIVITIES:

Once the glasses are set up and ready for play, try the following fun activities:

1. Play each glass by striking the side of the glass with a pencil or rubber mallet to create a ringing tone. Listen to each tone and then match the tone by singing "Loo" or use the name of the tone such as "Do".
2. Create combinations of tones such as "Do - Mi", "Mi - Do", "Do - Sol", "Sol - Do", "Do - Mi - Sol", "Sol - Mi - Do". Play the tonal combination on the glasses first, then sing and play the tonal combinations together.
3. Play a tonal combination then mimic the pattern by singing the tonal combination without playing the glasses.
4. Create your own sequence of tonal patterns! Using various tonal combinations above, make up your own sequence and sing while playing the glasses as the model.