

Families Can Be Together Forever Egg Shakers

Activity Instructions:

1. Sing through the first verse of Families Can Be Together Forever at the beginning of primary.
2. Prepare enough egg shakers for each child to have one and pass out the shakers. You could also put enough shakers in a bag for each class and hand out the shakers to the teachers.
3. Demonstrate the egg shaker pattern, and invite the children to try the pattern along with you after watching a few times.
4. Practice the egg shaker patterns a few times without music to get comfortable with the rhythm.
5. Then, add in the music! Start with the first verse and try one of the patterns while you sing.
6. Choose a new pattern and keep practicing this sweet primary song!

Extension Ideas:

- Split the class into small groups or teams to represent families. Have each team prepare an egg shaker pattern to teach the class.
- Have the children come up with their own egg shaker patterns! Kids come up with great ideas and are so creative!
- Draw a bunch of egg shaker patterns on pieces of paper. Have the children draw one pattern from a jar and use that pattern for a verse. Continue choosing patterns and singing together!

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Egg Shaker Patterns

Here are some fun ways to use egg shakers for this song! You can mix up how you use the patterns as you review different verses! If a pattern becomes too challenging, you can also switch it up at any time. Have some fun with these patterns and try a few of your own too!

1. Once per syllable: For this pattern, just shake on every syllable! This pattern is a good way to start because it lets them get all the shakes out! They'll have to really pay attention to the syllables and follow the rhythm of the song.

Ex. "I have a fam-ily here on earth."

2. Every Other Word: This one will be a challenge! You'll end up shaking on the off beat sometimes, which can be tricky for kids to grasp the first time. For this pattern, only shake on every other word you sing. In the example below, you only shake on the bolded words.

Ex. "**Families** can **be** together **forever**, through **Heavenly** Father's **plan**."

3. Key Word Shake: Choose a few key words for the kids to pay close attention to. These are usually words that come up pretty frequently in the song. When they sing these words, have them shake their egg shakers!

Ex. "Family"