

Around the Classroom

Look around the classroom.
What do you see?
I see things for you and me!

There is one white clock.
Do you see one white clock?
I see one white clock!

There are two red doors.
Do you see two red doors?
I see two red doors!

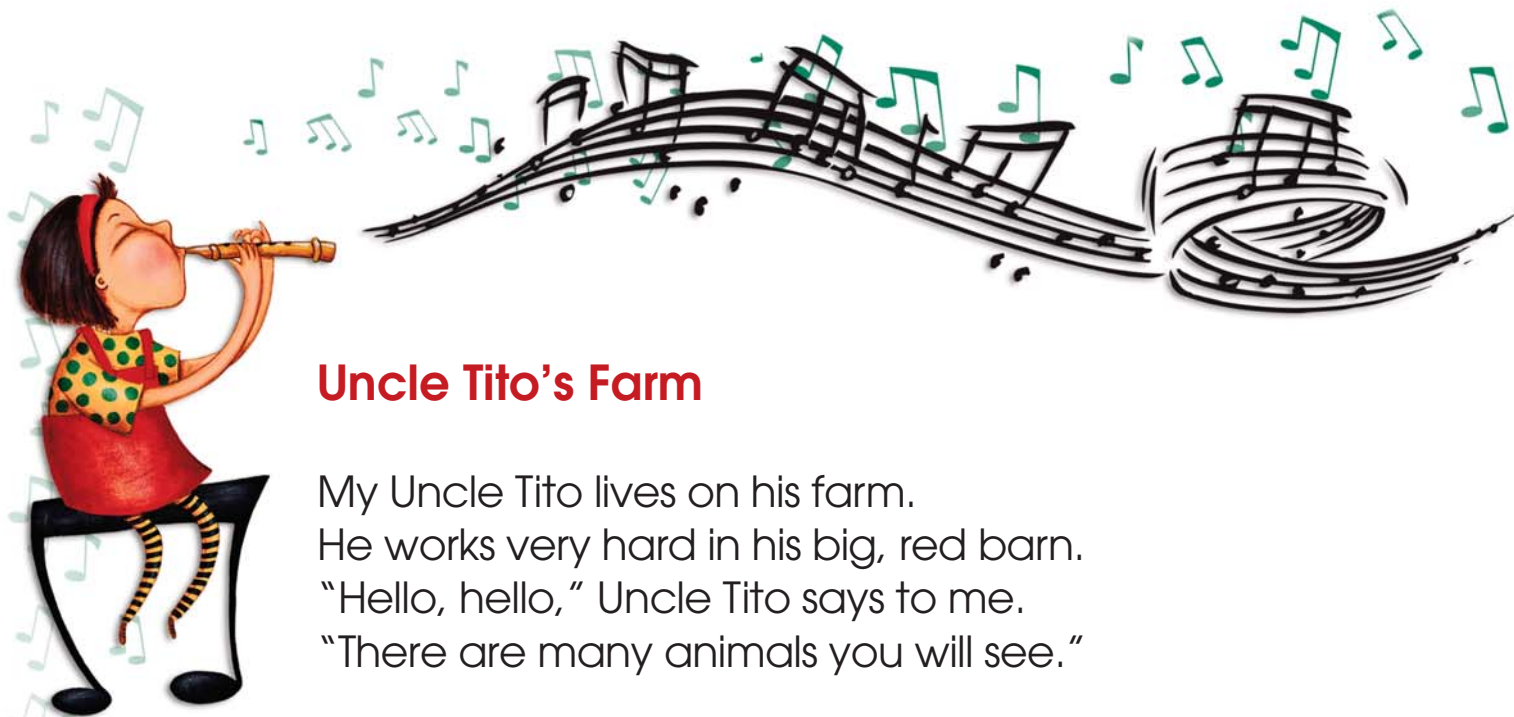
There are three big tables.
Do you see three big tables?
I see three big tables!

There are four small windows.
Do you see four small windows?
I see four small windows!

There are five green chairs.
Do you see five green chairs?
I see five green chairs!

Look around the classroom.
What do you see?
I see things for you and me!

Note to the Teacher: As an extension activity, have the class count the number of clocks, doors, tables, windows, and chairs in your classroom.



Uncle Tito's Farm

My Uncle Tito lives on his farm.
He works very hard in his big, red barn.
"Hello, hello," Uncle Tito says to me.
"There are many animals you will see."

Here are the cows who are eating grass and hay.
"Moo, moo," they say on this fine day.

Here are the ducks who are swimming in the lake.
"Quack, quack," they say. What a loud sound they make!

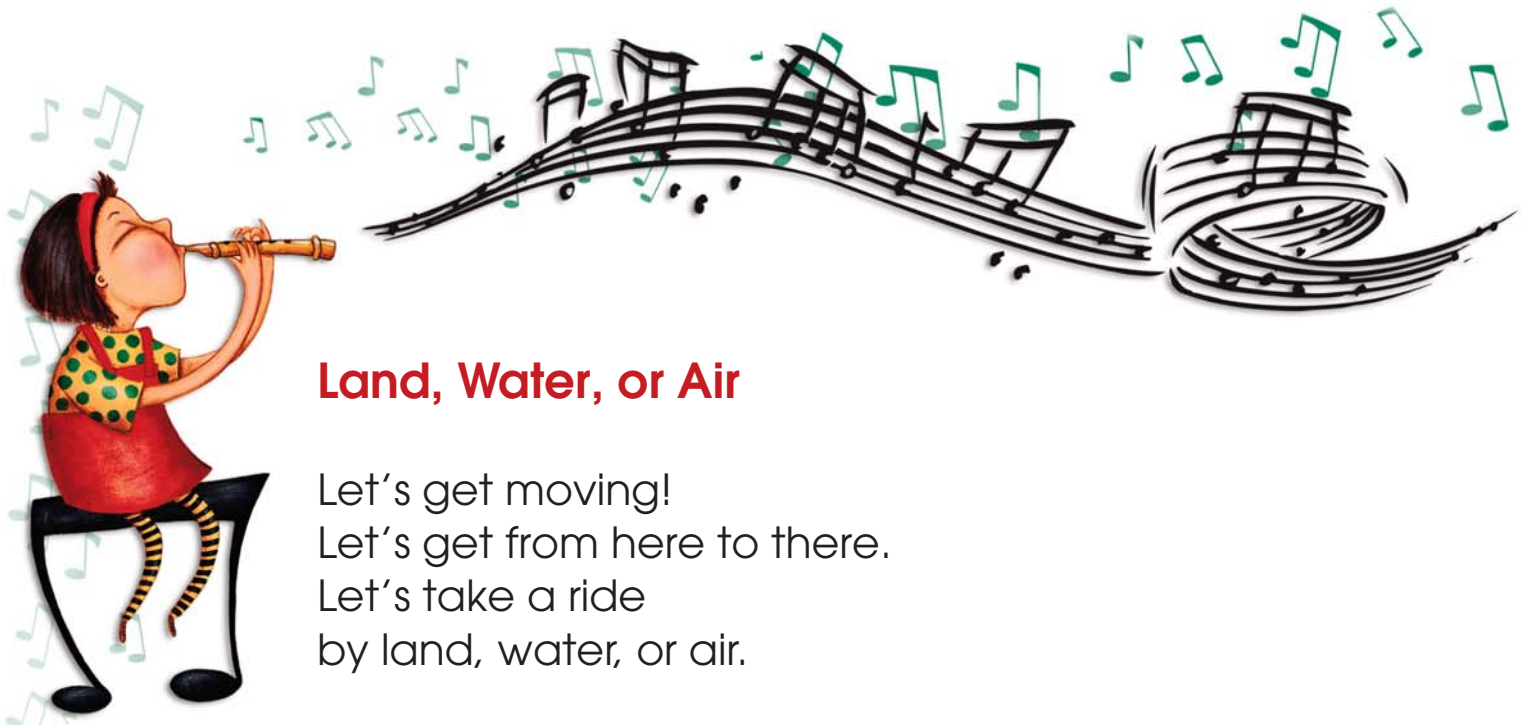
Here are the chicks who are sitting with the hen.
"Peep, peep," they say from their small pen.

Here are the lambs along with large woolly sheep.
"Baa, baa," they say and then they eat.

Last are the horses with their bright, shiny coats.
"Neigh, neigh," they say and then eat oats.

The day is over. Night has arrived.
"Time flies!" I say aloud. I am surprised.
"Good night, good night," Uncle Tito says to me.
Work on a farm is a hard job, you see.

Note to the Teacher: As an extension activity, have students play the parts of Uncle Tito and the various animals and present a dramatization to the class.



Land, Water, or Air

Let's get moving!
Let's get from here to there.
Let's take a ride
by land, water, or air.

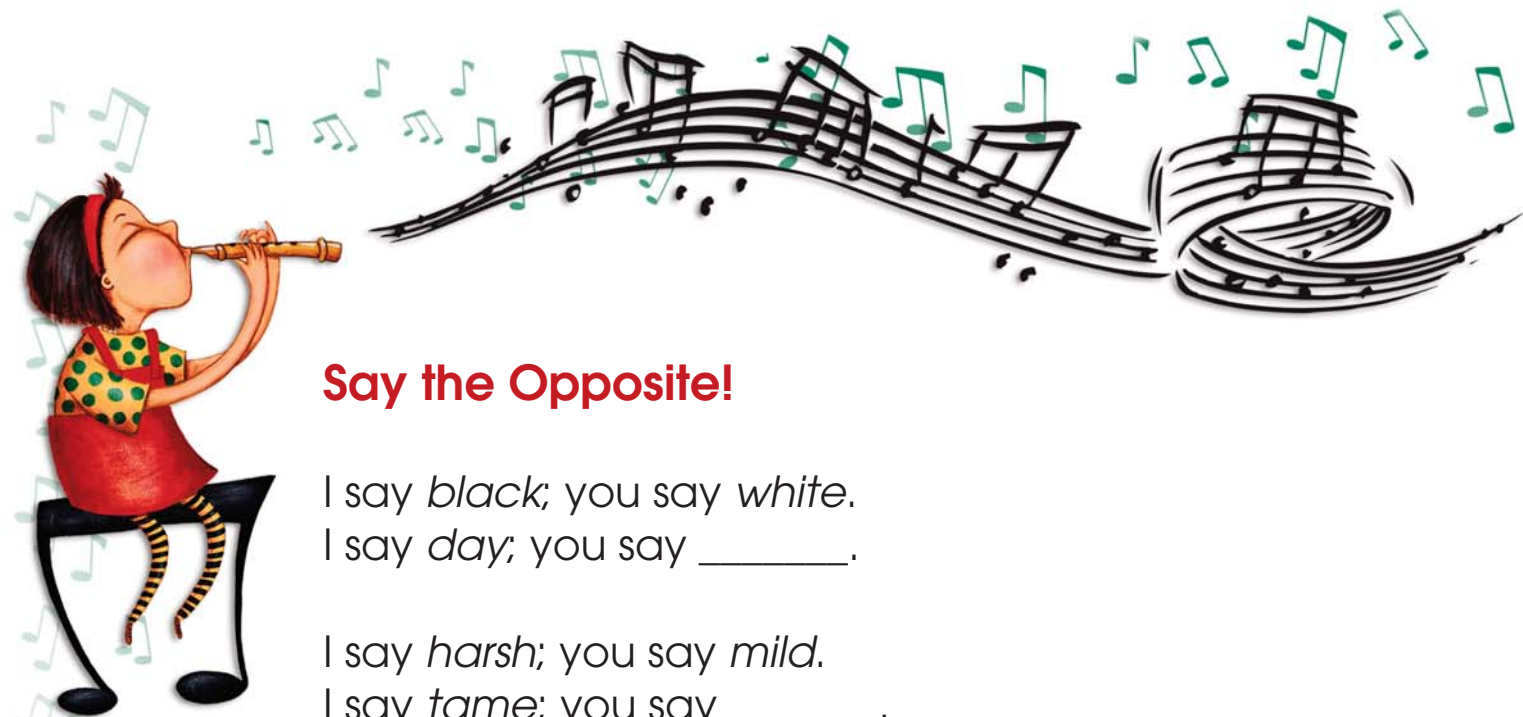
By land we have choices.
Car, bus, or train.
Exploring the world by land is fun.
Our adventure has just begun!

By water we have choices.
Ship, canoe, or boat.
Exploring the world by water is fun.
Our adventure has just begun!

By air we have choices.
Helicopter, plane, or jet.
Exploring the world by air is fun.
Our adventure has just begun!

Let's get moving!
Let's get from here to there.
Let's take a ride
by land, water, or air.

Note to the Teacher: As an extension activity, organize students into pairs and have them build on the themes presented in this beat by creating their own story about traveling by land, water, or air. Have student pairs present their story to the class using both verbal and nonverbal techniques.



Say the Opposite!

I say *black*; you say *white*.

I say *day*; you say _____.

I say *harsh*; you say *mild*.

I say *tame*; you say _____.

I say *kind*; you say *mean*.

I say *dirty*; you say _____.

I say *low*; you say *high*.

I say *wet*; you say _____.

I say *smile*; you say *frown*.

I say *up*; you say _____.

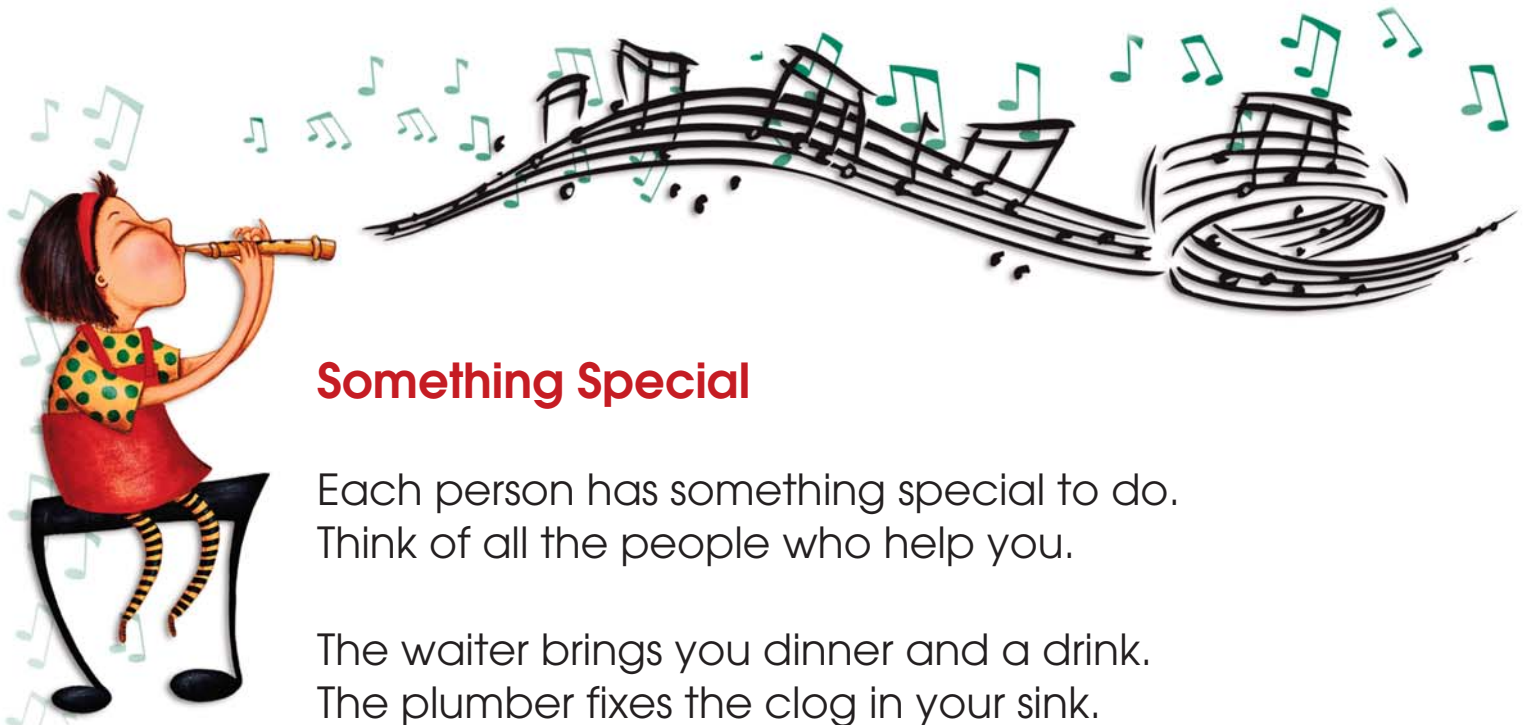
I say *loose*; you say *tight*.

I say *left*; you say _____.

I say *stop*; you say *go*.

I say *yes*; you say _____.

Note to the Teacher: As an extension activity, have students orally identify the antonyms in the beat (e.g., low/high, smile/frown). Then organize students into groups and have each group think of a synonym pair and an antonym pair to present to the class (e.g., create illustrations on a poster to represent word meanings, act out the synonym or antonym word pair, and so forth).



Something Special

Each person has something special to do.
Think of all the people who help you.

The waiter brings you dinner and a drink.
The plumber fixes the clog in your sink.

The tailor hems your coat and your pants.
The musician plays music while you dance.

The mechanic repairs your car when it breaks.
The butcher slices your chicken and your steaks.

The artist paints you a beautiful picture.
The electrician hangs your new light fixture.

The hairdresser gives you a whole new look.
The librarian helps you find the right book.

Each person has something special to do.
Think of all the people who help you.

Note to the Teacher: As an extension activity, name other occupations (e.g., teacher, doctor, construction worker, cashier, and so forth) and have students say what each person does.