

THRASS MOVE-A-LONG WITH SING-A-LONG WORKSHOP, EASTERN CAPE, MAY 26, 2008

I really enjoyed it. I was reluctant at first because I thought they would be too childish for my children but your workshop made me realise that the Sing-a-long is so much more than just a song.

Side splitting fun! Creating good times while learning!

THRASS is wonderful way of learning, it is enthusiasm and learning at the same time. I wish this day will come time and again.

A magical experience – the music made you want to get up and dance. This workshop gave us a practical side to THRASS and fun and creative ways to get children involved in their learning.

Practical, fun and motivating!

I was a bit uncertain initially, but I really enjoyed it. We had fun, as well as learning valuable tools for the classroom. The singing and dancing was great, and Janine was full of energy and enthusiastic, which motivated us.

It was good to get to sing and move along with THRASS!

I really enjoyed the workshop and had loads of fun! The songs are catchy and I feel will help with more than just THRASS e.g. directionality, mid line crossings etc

An interesting way of showing teachers how to use music to teach children how to read, spell words!

Was great to see how music can be brought into learning in the classroom. It adds to the variety in learning methods with a lot of fun and movement. Gets learners talking and laughing.

Wonderful Workshop! Lots of fun.

The workshop is so good and I enjoyed it very much. I wish I can get another chance to learn again the activities, they are good to be used in the classroom.

This was a good experience for me, because I was not sure if I was going to be able to use these songs but now I can do my things. Sing-a-long is a good thing for children.

I came in with a negative attitude but I ended up really enjoying it. It was fun, even though sometimes embarrassing. I especially liked what we did with the panda song and the banana one!

Exciting and fun and I felt like a kid again. "You are getting old because you have stopped playing."

What a superb day! Thank you Janine. We (University of Fort Hare) have a gap in our B Ed degree – No music/dance/movement component – only Drama and Arts and Culture. This excellent workshop certainly filled that gap as well as adding meat and muscle to the THRASS skeleton.

Fantastic to use in class. Lots of fun!

Before the start of the day I was so frustrated, feeling bored about this SING-A-LONG. When the program started however I started to feel enjoyment and have learned a lot on how I would implement this with my learners. THANKX a lot!

This is a wonderful day. I have never had fun like today. I think it is going to be more fun to do these activities with children. They will really enjoy the music and the time I spend with them without let them writing. You done so well.

I am so blessed today, with THRASS MOVE-A-LONG. I spoke with my children that used to be in my Sunday school that they need to copy some music with actions as we used to do. So this is an answer to our wish. I am going to use these songs but I also know that these children are also going to spread the songs in their different schools. The DVD will be of help to remind me of the actions.

Nice. Fun and meaningful.

It was nice and at least now I can sing THRASS songs with my children. I didn't know in the beginning that there will be too much fun to relax our mind just before exam time.

When I heard about the Sing-a-long workshop I wasn't really all that interested but you changed my mind about both the usefulness of the THRASS Sing-a-long and one workshop. You got me doing moves which I would never normally do. But the important thing about the workshop is that I could see it working in a classroom.

I enjoyed every minute of the workshop, I hope to use them (songs) in my classroom.

I learnt many things on THRASS. I wish I can learn again. It is a good thing.

It was good. I learnt the songs and I think I can use them in my class. But thing is, I am not good with music, dancing and stuff. But I am sure I will try.

Enjoyed the workshop but felt length of breaks were not enough.

I am feeling more comfortable about using and applying each song to further educate our learners.

It was a nice exercise. It will be really good for the learners. I've enjoyed myself.

Enjoyed the workshop.

You have achieved your goals today!

I had major fun and it was very educational!

Awesome experience, it really shows that the classroom doesn't have to be dead and boring and shows a fun way to learn THRASS in the classroom. Thank you, Janine

Very fun time! Good to see how much music and literacy go together and can be used hand in hand. Creative dances and music. Can be used in most classes.

Fun, exciting. Very interesting and worthwhile! Extreme fun had!

Absolutely wonderful. Can't wait to use it in my own class.

Lots of fun! Presenter shows a lot of enthusiasm. Good experience to connect with fellow students. Lots of good tips to use in the classroom and to integrate across the curriculum.

What a rewarding experience! I have learnt so much. It's great to see the practical side of THRASS. Full of great ideas for the classroom, which will get children actively involved and loving THRASS.

That was so much fun! Loved the integration of other aspects into the songs – doesn't only have to be about dancing and singing. Really got a lot from the workshop and I feel confident that I have gained skills that I could use tomorrow!

Learnt about different music genres. Will use in my classroom one day! Great integration use!

What a wonderful way to link theory and practise in terms of teaching for multiple intelligences. Had so much fun!

THANKS! GREAT! Helpful and work full for us daily. Gave me so many ideas.

Although I found the day long, it was worth coming, I really enjoyed it.

This workshop was awesome! Really fun, and a great opportunity to feel how the kids will feel when they do the dances! Janine is a genius. I don't know how she thinks this stuff up! Well done.

Very fun and valuable!

Was a lot of fun – great experience!

Fun and interactive. Using music in a Sing-a-long to learn. A memorable experience.

Brilliant, educational and informative for all teachers and parents.

I had a really wonderful time at the workshop. I found it very worthwhile.

Fantastic! Really enjoyed it and can't wait to use it in the classroom.

Wow! – great tool for the classroom. Bridges the gap between literacy and arts and dance.

Wow! So much energy. A wonderful learning experience.

A lovely example of using THRASS within a holistic language context.

A learning experience and a fun filled time!