

Carnival of the Animals, Camille Saint-Saëns

Lion:

How would you march down the grand entranceway if you were at a **royal** ceremony? Who might you ask to join you in the castle? Grab a grownup or a stuffed animal to accompany you!

Or perhaps...

How would you move if **you** were a lion? Allow your child to pretend they're a lion; waking up, grooming, strolling through the plains, etc. As the music plays, let the changes in *volume*, *tempo*, or *orchestration* dictate how your lion's journey continues!

Aquarium:

What types of sea creatures can you hear gliding, swishing, and swimming around the aquarium? Listen for the repetition heard in the first half of the piece- what do the two different sections make you think of? At the end of the piece, the floating, twinkling sounds of the orchestra may even be reminiscent of bubbles drifting to the surface of the sea.

Kangaroo:

Boing! How do you think the kangaroos are moving around in this piece? Can you hear the differences between the short, fast hops and the big, slow hops? Take a look at the listening map attached- can you follow along with the music? Maybe, you could **draw your own** listening map!

Flight of the Bumblebee, Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov

If your little one needs some accompaniment for zooming around the house to get out some energy, this piece is a perfect, zzzzzzippy fit!

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In the case of many orchestral pieces, the music we hear can tell us a **story**. It's so fun listening to exciting pieces that give the listener a sense of adventure. Beginning a musical exploration is as simple as asking "I wonder what story the music is telling us?". So, grab your paper, crayons, markers, pencils or whatever you have around the house to get started! Make sure that you use your listening ears only while the music is on to hear every detail- after the piece ends, you can share and discuss your drawings with a sibling or grown up!

These are some of our favorite listening examples:

Legend of Zelda Suite, Koji Kondo (performed by The London Philharmonic Orchestra)

La Mer II. Play of the Waves, Claude Debussy

Can't Sit Still, Greg and Steve

Wiggle your fingers, shoulders, nose and more to the rhythm of this upbeat song! Especially after being cooped up in the house for a few days, sometimes you just have to wiggle it out! This song is a great way for children ranging from toddlers to elementary schoolers to engage in some whimsical, fine motor movement. We suggest starting out music time at home with this lively song and dance!

Music Links

Carnival of the Animals

Apple Music <https://music.apple.com/us/album/saint-sa%C3%ABns-carnival-animals-bizet-jeux-denfants-ravel/1387017027>

Spotify https://open.spotify.com/album/4Qx7DzoPlvbA4z7e6JUf9R?si=9douhg6kR6WX_L6IKMhAAA

YouTube

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TEywPCTQYic&list=OLAK5uy_k2FyTqHxqYWS42ota5J0A9lluGqKlp77w&index=1

Flight of the Bumblebee

Apple Music <https://music.apple.com/us/album/flight-of-the-bumblebee/394025913?i=394025930>

Spotify https://open.spotify.com/track/4wnuvGE91WKic6IOcktVTx?si=5MVLVXbmQDaIFSD0_YwE4Q

YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aYAJopwEYv8>

Legend of Zelda Suite

Apple Music <https://music.apple.com/us/album/legend-of-zelda-suite/472994506?i=472994508>

Spotify <https://open.spotify.com/track/5VuHhNAOSsCx6ltdkEUm?si=vtaB9esbTUqtG0ww-Z9Sbg>

YouTube https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MriV_LOHI5E

La Mer II. Play of the Waves

Apple Music <https://music.apple.com/us/album/la-mer-ii-play-of-the-waves-jeux-de-vagues/1467922171?i=1467922703>

Spotify <https://open.spotify.com/track/1ySq0tEFm0nrUUwMkDxsAJ?si=TQcVuDB2S5W1VbamH4Kkfw>

YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3o8uUP0IS9c>

Can't Sit Still

Apple Music <https://music.apple.com/us/album/rockin-down-the-road/1376343565>

Spotify <https://open.spotify.com/track/533oQ9SOAUeIk338sES0o5?si=Bsg0EDukTPKeFRZ5vECwzw>

YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0PtYUGP-8Fc&t=2s>

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Listening Map

