



Conductor Control

Resources

Small group of children, conducting baton/stick(optional), instruments (optional), puppet (optional)

Learning opportunities

- Development of listening and attention, self-regulation
- Development of the knowledge of dynamics

Activity ideas

- Using a given signal for stop/ start, children to respond to signal by starting to play/ sing and stopping when given by an adult. Once the children are familiar, they can take on the role of conductor.
- Introduce a new signal for louder/softer. This could be raising the arm in the air for louder and down for softer.
- Introduce the playing of instruments to a piece of music when the children are very familiar with the signals.
- Vary the concept of playing an instrument by playing in the air e.g. air guitar, air trumpet, air saxophone.
- To add a fun element, introduce a conducting puppet. This would be best introduced by an adult who would model to the children.
- Leave music, instruments, baton, and puppets for the children to play independently once they are familiar with the concept of conducting.

