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Elementary General Music Unit:

Reflection

I created and taught a cross curricular unit for 4th/5th grade on the poem "Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening" by Robert Frost. I paired the poem with the song "Sleigh Ride" and the Russian Troika dance. The goal of the unit is to perform a "Play-formance", where some students are responsible for reading parts of the poem, some are responsible for playing the xylophones, and some are responsible for dancing and singing "Sleigh Ride".

I think the unit went very well! They achieved the goal of the “play-formance”. They were interested in the poem and learned the song/Troika dance with ease! Teaching them the xylophone/percussion parts took longer than expected, so that is good to know for next time! In the unit I covered poetry, form, singing, dancing, and playing instruments! There are many different subjects to be taught in this unit, which is perfect for winter! I will definitely teach this unit again.