

EARLY **CHILDHOOD**



FOLLOW THE LEADER

LEARNING TARGETS

- ✓ I will take turns with my friends.
- ✓ I will follow the movement directions that leaders give to the class.
- ✓ I will move at a safe speed.

ACTIVITY SET-UP & PROCEDURE

Things You Need:

- ✓ ABC's of Movement Cards: Q, R, S, Z
- 1 spot marker per student

Set-Up:

- 1. Use spot markers to create a large circle in the activity area.
- 2. Provide enough space between spots for movement on and around each spot.
- 3. Students stand in a circle, each student on a spot.



Activity Procedures:

- 1. The object of this activity is for students to practice locomotor movements while following directions and taking turns.
- 2. First, the teacher demonstrates the movements on each card. Students can either watch or follow the movements as they are demonstrated.
- 3. Next, spread the cards in the middle of the area. Taking turns, students are called to pick up a card and hand it to the teacher. After the movement is identified, the student leads the group as they all perform the movement at the same time.
- 4. Repeat this activity until each child has been the leader.

Universal Design Modifications:

- Look through all of the ABC's of Movement Cards and choose the cards that meet the needs and abilities of your students.
- Assist students in the role of class leader with verbal support or through the use of physical demonstrations.

DEVELOPMENTAL INDICATORS

- ✓ Gross Motor: Child moves body in relation to objects to effectively perform tasks.
- ✓ Gross Motor: Child adjusts speed and direction depending on the situation.
- ✓ **Relationships with Other Children:** Child takes turns in interactions with other children.

