



Listening



Focus



Posture

GOLD TO BROWN

- Whole KS2
- Year 3/4



SHERLOCK'S CASE NOTES

SONG... Gold To Brown

- This is a great song for whole school Harvest time assemblies.
- In the verses, the commas need to be observed as these are an indication of where to breathe, e.g. verse 1 'time to think about the food we eat, (breath) about the good that treats us all at harvest time'.
- The song works both as a unison song, or with the addition of the simple descant part.
- The diction in the opening chorus needs care; practise speaking the words 'fields turn gold to brown' slowly, making sure all the consonants are sounded. Ask the children to place their index fingers both sides of their mouth as they speak. This helps to form the words at the front of the mouth and gives more clarity.
- The simple but effective descant is an ideal way into two-part singing for developing singers. Only add the second part when the main melody is secure. Ensure the sound is sustained through the long notes (semibreves).
- To add variety to the performance, use smaller groups of singers or soloists to perform the verses.

