



# The Bear and the Bird

## a story-based improv activity

Directions: Create your own sound effects at the piano to accompany this story! As you read, play a sound on the piano to match the story whenever you see this symbol: 🎵

There once was a bear who lived in the woods in a deep, dark cave. Each morning the bear would wake up with a loud yawn! 🎵

One morning, as the bear woke up, he heard a faint sound coming from far away in the woods. 🎵

He decided to investigate! He slowly crawled out of his cave. 🎵

As he emerged from his cave, the sound grew louder and faster. 🎵

The bear soon realized that the sound he heard was a bird, high in a tree, singing a beautiful song. 🎵

The bear crept closer to the tree and listened happily. However, the bear soon realized that the song was a warning—there was a storm approaching! Suddenly there was a rumble of thunder, followed by a flash of lightning! 🎵

The bear ran as fast as he could back to his cave! 🎵

He crawled in quickly and snuggled down, down, down into the soft leaves. 🎵

“Today would be a nice day for a long nap,” the bear decided. And he fell asleep with a snore. 🎵

**The end.**