## **PARODY PROJECT**

## PROJECT DIRECTIONS:

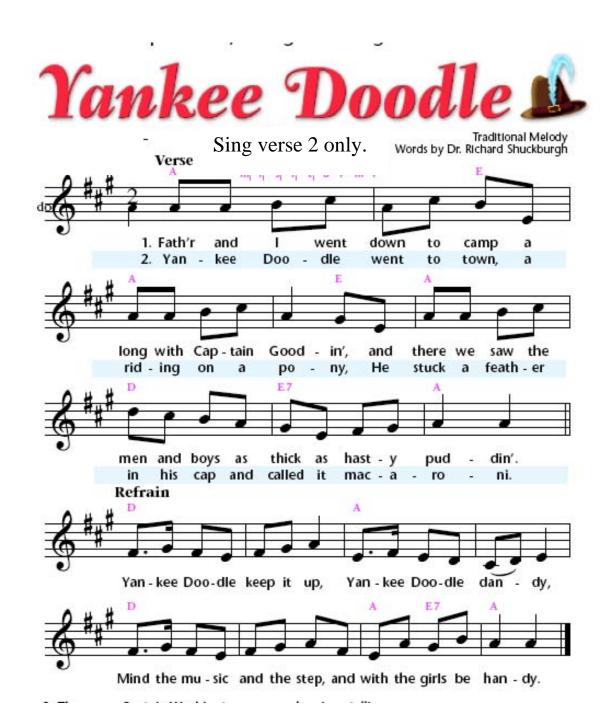
- 1. This project assumes you have purchased enough copies of <u>Take Me Out of the Bathtub</u> by Alan Katz for a classroom of students. I purchased mine from Scholastic in paperback for about \$2 a copy. An alternative would be to project each page of the book using an AverVision or similar hardware.
- 2. Create a handout of the words and/or music for the original songs on which these parodies are based. You can type the words, scan the song from a music book or create a song file in Finale. I did a combination of these.
- 3. Create a CD to accompany the book. Put the tracks in the order of the poems with the original version of the song first followed immediately by the song without words and with the number of verses needed to sing the parody.
- 4. Options for creating each track include:
  - MIDI files
  - CDs-- Music textbook and others
  - Finale files you input yourself
- 5. Once you have a file you can:
  - Add verses or remove verses using Audacity
  - Alter the tempo or pitch using Audacity
  - Remove the voices using Audacity (if the original was recorded with voices on 1 track and instrumental on the other as many of the Share the Music and Making Music tracks are)
  - ☐ Change the instruments or modify the accompaniment using Finale (if the original is a MIDI file)
- 6. This makes a great thirty minute lesson plan. Hand out a copy of the book and your handout of the original songs. Start the CD at track one and start singing! (I've also left this for a sub and it was successful ©.)



## Polly, Put the Kettle On

Polly, put the kettle on, We'll all have tea.

Polly, put the kettle on, Sukey, take it off again, Polly, put the kettle on, Sukey, take it off again, Sukey, take it off again, They've all gone away.



## My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean

**Traditional** 



Song of the Month December 2005