

## Teamwork

### Materials

Worksheet 5, Kala & Friends stick puppets, pantyhose (1 “leg” per student), scissors, tape

### Preparation

Cut pantyhose so they have “legs” only. Then, cut the feet so that each leg is open on both ends. Make sure each student gets one single leg open at both ends. Make photocopies of Worksheet 5 (1 per student). Cut out and create a cube from Worksheet 5.

## Before

Distribute the pantyhose. Instruct and assist students to slip the leg over their hands. Play some music and have students dance around the classroom. Pause the music. Have students “connect” themselves with another person using the other side of one of the pantyhose. Play the music again. Tell students to dance. Now have students work with their partner to dance around the room. Pause the music and have each pair “connect” to a pair. Play the music again and tell students to dance. Have them work with their team to dance around the room. End the activity. Ask students if they enjoyed dancing with their classmates. Collect the pantyhose and have students sit down. Show students the stick puppets one at a time.

T: *Who is this? (This is Kala.)*

T: *Who is this? (This is Luka.)*

T: *Who is this? (This is Chewie.)*

## While

Get students’ attention and tell them to watch (point to your eyes) the video. Play the video. Use the Kala and Chewie puppets. Ask *What are Kala and Chewie doing? (Playing.)* Say *Kala and Chewie are playing with a ball.* Play the video again. Use the Kala and Chewie puppets. Make Chewie say *Oh no! The ball.* Have Kala say *It’s in the tree.* Have Chewie say *Up, up in the tree.* Have Kala say *I can’t get the ball.* Have Chewie say *I can’t get the ball.* Have Kala say *Together! Chewie, Luka and Kala get the ball.* Take the Chewie, Kala and Luka puppets, hold them close together and say *We are a team! Teamwork!* Play the video again. Show the Kala and Chewie puppets and use them to teach students the following chant:

(sung to the tune: “Hickory Dickory Dock”)

*You work with me  
I work with you  
We work together  
And get things done  
Teamwork is so much fun!*

Repeat several times. Encourage students to chant along.

## After

Distribute the worksheet and scissors. Have students cut out and build their cube. Show them how and provide assistance. Once all students have their cube, form two teams. Tell each team to build a tower, as tall as they can, without it falling down. Say *Use teamwork to create your tower.* The team with the taller tower wins. Play multiple times. Each time a team wins, say *You are a great team!*

Afterwards, say the following rhyme:

*You work with me  
I work with you  
We work together  
And get things done  
Teamwork is so much fun!*

Repeat the rhyme and encourage students to rhyme along.

Finally, say *We are a great team!*



