

# Choreography Concert

Each season, choreographers spend time trying to come up with new inspiration. Here is a list of ideas to inspire new and creative movement....

1. **Sports Call Creativity** – have students watch a local sporting event; they should watch the referees and officials; utilize the hand signals of the game to inspire new movements
2. **Children's Miracle** – observe young children at play; use their ideas to inspire new ways to work within groups and with partners
3. **Alphabet Soup** – Explore the possibilities of creating letter shapes with your body (think outside the box); choose a word of meaning and focus the choreography around creating that word with movements (ex.: “K” can be created with high V arms and a leg in tendu...utilize it as a cut movement to change formations)
4. **Nature Calls** – move outside! Sometimes a change in environment can spark new creativity. Take your students outside to create!
5. **Be an Observer** – encourage choreographers to sit back and watch what goes on in the lunchroom; have them create a piece of choreography to tell the story they see unfolding; GREAT exercise when students wear earplugs...they have to learn to use their imagination to create the story unfolding
6. **Take Flight** – observe the way a flock of birds (pack of dogs, etc.) move within the group; use their grace to orchestrate new patterns for choreography
7. **Ice Cream Sundae** – we all like ours stacked just a bit different; use this concept to help choreograph. Create 5 – 7 different combinations; explore with groups changing the timing, the order, the level of the “same” movement combinations...great way to achieve texture in choreography