

Hello Refresher Participants,

I am very excited about the upcoming Mother Goose on the Loose Refresher in Oakland on Friday, September 18. Instead of a “How to Do Mother Goose on the Loose” training for beginners, this refresher is meant to give seasoned MGOL presenters the opportunity to learn by sharing with each other.

After a brief overview of the brain research and current “hot topics” in the world of early literacy, we will present a MGOL program with mostly new material, including the most successful rhymes and activities of yours!

In order to do this (and to enable the other participants to use your material afterward), please choose **ONE** song or rhyme you would like to share and email the lyrics and directions to me at [alon@mgol.org](mailto:alon@mgol.org). (It can be written in a Word Document or simply written as an email text).

Your rhymes will be woven into a program which will be presented by all of us at the unconference. Because of this, **please bring the related flannel board piece or prop with you** to the refresher. All attendees will receive a booklet including all of the songs and rhymes, thus enriching their programmatic choices for planning future MGOL sessions.

We will discuss MGOL practices, ask questions, answer questions and do some fun brainstorming. Most of all, we will celebrate our role in bringing MGOL to so many children and families in California.

**Things to submit one week ahead of time (before September 11)**

* Lyrics and directions for one of the most successful activities you use in your MGOL program *(send these to alon@mgol.org)*
  + Please choose activities that were not in the demo program from the first training workshop

**Things to bring to the Refresher:**

* Flannel board pieces or props to go along with the 1 or 2 activities which you are going to share
* Questions about any aspect of MGOL
* A challenge you may have encountered regarding MGOL
* At least one MGOL success story that will bring a smile to our faces!

Thank you and I look forward to meeting you soon,

Betsy