

# Film activate: The happiest sound in the world



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The stunning Austrian mountains provide the backdrop for this musical about a free spirited governess sent to teach the children of rich widower Captain Von Trapp during World War II. Horrified at how strictly he treats his children, Maria charms the children with the way she interacts with them. The Captain disapproves her methods at first but then he changes his mind. What happens that changes Captain Von Trapp's mind about Maria? Draw two scenes showing the events in sequence in the spaces below.



2 How important is music and singing to the story? Do you think you could make the film without any singing? Would this change the mood of the film? During the thunder and lightning Maria sings the song 'My Favorite Things'. Can you remember what her favorite things were?



**3** Pick one of your favorite things that make you feel better when you are scared and draw a picture of it in the bubble.

