

# A Signing Bear Adds to the Emotionally-Engaging Experience of Signing Songs for Children of All Ages!



*Our friend Gracie is a gifted kindergarten sign language expert who helps teach her classmates.*

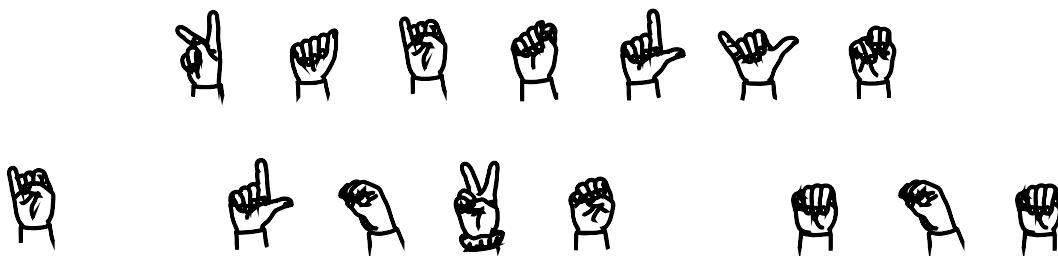
**All children love a cuddly bear, a friend who can speak their new language.** Using sign language, the Honey Bear is just what the teacher, parent, and therapist need for a creative new way to teach and engage children. Honey sits on your lap and your hands become Honey's hands. She keeps children's attention and reinforces new sign language. Watch the children come alive with excitement at this huggable, lovable new little friend. Non-hearing-impaired children delight in "talking and listening in sign" to a cuddly bear.

Honey is two feet tall. Her bear arms are sleeves that accommodate and disguise the arms of the puppeteer. Honey's "borrowed arms" can rotate 180 degrees, while the gloved human hands tell stories and sign songs in sign language, teach fingerspelling, and play name games. We encourage you to

consider making your own signing bear, or see our list of where to purchase favorite sign language resources.

**A signing bear's ability to enter a child's world and add magic to your classroom is limited only by the creative imagination of the teacher and students.** A signing bear becomes teacher, friend, playmate, security blanket, and fantasy character; again and again. Sometimes the cuddly class bear is the element that draws the more reserved child out of his shell into the mainstream classroom.

## **Here is another helpful Sign Language Tool: Use Fingerspelling Fonts to Help Children Practice Their Name**



This Fingerletter font is available through [efi@educationalfontware.com](mailto:efi@educationalfontware.com).