Episode 114: “Special Delivery” - Activity 14

Play an amended version of Drop the Handkerchief by following these directions. Have children form a circle and drop hands. Choose one player to be “it.” Provide “it” with a make-believe pizza (e.g., a toy food pizza or a cardboard cutout). Have “it” walk around the outside of the circle while chanting “el tomate, el queso, el tomate, el queso” as he/she goes. At some point in the chant, “it” should drop the pizza, saying, “la pizza!” and then running in the circle. The child behind whom the pizza has been dropped should pursue “it,” running in the same direction. The object is to reach the empty spot in the circle and fill it again. Whoever is left without a space in the circle picks up “la pizza” and repeats the play. Note: The signal word and chant can be changed in order to encourage the development of good listening skills and personal adaptability.