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DRAMATIZED RHYTHM PLAYS

MOTHER GOOSE AND TRADITIONAL

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PREFACE 3

The following rhythmic plays compiled by Mr. John N. Richards of the Newark Department of Physical Education have been devised to meet the needs in the transition of Physical Education activities between the kindergarten and the first few years of the primary school.

The physiologist tells us that the nervous organism of early childhood is injured by the strain of strict, immobile attention required in formal gymnastics. Therefore it is wise to hold the child's interest and attention by means of dramatized nursery plays. These make little strain on mental application and the child is able to dramatize in motion the words and music which are planned to develop his motor co-ordination. In this way the child is gradually and interestingly led from the freedom of expression, characteristic of babyhood to the more specialized formal activities of the third and fourth years in the school.

Mr. Richards' contribution merits widespread usage because he has clearly and definitely described his rhythm plays so that the classroom teacher can easily make use of them without having to draw on her imagination or having to guess at the written explanation.

The book should be useful and welcomed too, not only by the classroom teacher but also by the specialist and supervisor of Physical Education.

Randall D. Warden

Director of Physical Education, Newark, N.J., Public Schools

The young people of to-day are most fortunate in their opportunities and advantages. The home, the school, the shop, social life and play offer increasing fields for service. The ever increasing number of problems which must be faced, in this reconstruction period of our nation's life, demands leaders of broad intellect, clear vision and sound judgment. Coupled with these qualifications there must be developed a moral earnestness which will make for better citizenship.

INTRODUCTION

The trend of society movement is undoubtedly toward congested city life. There is lamentable lack of playgrounds and properly equipped gymnasiums. The school buildings are crowded to capacity and there is a rush and hurry of life which challenges the attention of all educators who are interested in the physical well-being of children.

The priceless assets of our communities are the boys and girls who are growing into manhood and womanhood. We should spare neither expense nor energy in fitting them physically, mentally and spiritually for the great problems which will all too soon be theirs.

Exercise habits and a spirit of fair play must be a part of their training from the early school days. There is no better way of inculcating these lessons than through story plays and games during their first school years.

The material contained in this book is practical. The exercise movements have been set to music which is popular both in the schools and in the homes. It is carefully graded and should prove to be of great assistance to the teachers in the lower grades. It tends to bridge over the gap between the Kindergarten and the Primary Grade activities.

There is need for a manual of this type in our Physical Training literature and it is hoped that this material will be used generally throughout the schools of our country.

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SUGGESTIONS FOR THE TEACHING OF THE GYMNASTIC ACTIVITY

- 1. Teach the words of the rhyme to the class, keeping in mind the rhythm.
- 2. If in presenting the action, the movement is based upon certain words as cues, present by imitation the activity as applied to the words, *i.e.*, Little Jack Horner; Little Miss Muffet, etc.
- 3. If the movement is based on a time element (rhythm), present the activity content, line by line, *i.e.*, Yankee Doodle; Pat-a-cake, etc.
- 4. Be sure the rhyme and activity has been thoroughly mastered before adding the song element.
- 5. If a dancing movement is involved, present same to the class as a unit before combining with other movements, *i.e.*, Fly Away Jack and Jill; Diddle, Diddle, Dumpling, etc.

The author wishes to express thanks to Miss Louise Westwood, Director of Music of the Newark Public Schools, for the following suggestions as to the teaching of the song element:

1. Pitch-pipes:

No song under any condition should be sung without the pitch of the first word being given; using the pitch-pipe to get the key in which the song is written.

2. Range of Songs:

All songs should be sung not lower than the first line E or higher than the fifth line F of the staff. If songs are scored in another range, transpose the song by changing the pitch of the *first* word.

3. Quality of Tone:

All singing should be in a soft, light, head tone. Half-tone quality.

No loud singing should be allowed at any time.

PROCEDURE IN TEACHING

- 1. Teach the rhyme. 2. Combine rhyme with the gymnastic activity.
- 3. Teach the song. 4. Combine No. 1, No. 2 and No. 3.

COMMANDS USED TO PRESENT THE GYMNASTIC ACTIVITY AND SONG

- 1. Determine key in which the song is written and find starting note.
- 2. Teacher sounds keynote of first syllable or word.

Command:—Pitch—Sing!

Examples:

- (a) Yankee Doodle. The first syllable of the word, "Yankee," which is "Yank," is sung to establish the pitch.
- (b) Oh, where, oh where has my little dog gone? The first word, "Oh," is sung to establish the pitch.
- 3. In order to insure united action, the following command is used:

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RHYTHMIC STEPS

1. The Point Step, Forward:

Point foot forward with outside edge of toes touching the floor; the heel is raised and turned inward toward the other foot. (No weight transference, the weight being on the stationary foot.)

2. Closing Step, Sideward:

Step sideward, right, maintaining the weight equally to both feet (1). Close left foot to right (2). Note.—Counterlike for movement in the forward and backward direction.

3. Chasse or Gliding Step, Sideward:

Raise heels and slide sideward, right, immediately closing left to right. A light, quick movement requiring only one count for completion.

4. Step Throw or Step Hop Swing, Sideward:

Step sideward, right (1). Hop on right, and swing left leg diagonally forward across (2). (Knee slightly flexed with ankle extended.)

5. Schottische Step, Sideward:

Step sideward, right (1). Cross step left to rear of right (2). Step sideward, right (3). Hop on right, swinging left leg diagonally forward across (4). (Knee slightly flexed with ankle extended.)

6. Two Step or Change Step, Forward:

Step forward, right (1). Close left instep to right heel (and) Step forward, right (2).

7. The Step Dip, Sideward:

Step sideward, right, with transference of body weight to the right foot (1). Place left toe behind right heel (heel raised) with the knee turned sideward (and) Bend and stretch right knee slightly with trunk bending sideward, left (2).

Hand clapping occurs on counts *one* and *two*.

8. Encircle to left with partner kneeling. (Partners.)

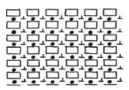
Stationary pupil.—Pupil extends leg backward, lowering knee to floor. The trunk is erect; left hand on hip with the right arm stretched upward, supporting encircling partner's left hand.

Dancing pupil.—The encircling pupil grasps with the left hand the kneeling partner's right hand and performs the dance movement in given direction.

DIAGRAMMATIC FORMATIONS

Classroom

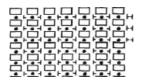
Standing in the right aisle facing front of room.



Six rows of seats; six pupils per row.

Classroom

Standing in the right aisle in OPEN LINE FORMATION, partners facing.



Seven rows of seats; six pupils per row. Note:—When executing partner plays, children in extreme row on the right (odd row) form in partner formation in open area.

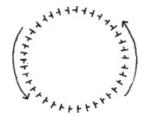
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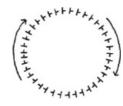
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Facing, inward.

Facing, reverse line of direction.







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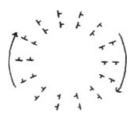
Clockwise

DOUBLE

Facing, line of direction.



Facing, reverse line of direction.



Partner formation, facing each other.



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CLASSROOM Aisle Alignment:—Single and partner formation.

Note:—May also be used to advantage in any open area or gymnasium with exception of several in the First Grade which are essentially classroom in type. (Desks are used as part of the rhythmic action.)

THE BAND

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MIDI (sound file)

pdf (music and lyrics)

Oh I can play on a big bass drum, And this is the way I do it. Boom, Boom, Boom goes the big bass drum, Boom, Boom, Boom goes the big bass drum, And this is the way I do it. Formation;—Children seated in their seats.

Oh I can play on a big bass drum, 1st Line:—

Interpretation; — No activity.

2nd Line;— And this is the way I do it.

No activity. Inter.;—

Boom, Boom, Boom goes the big bass drum, 3rd Line;—

Beat hands vigorously upon top of desks, suiting action to the words. Inter.;—

4th Line;— Boom, Boom, Boom goes the big bass drum.

Repeat the activity of the third line. Inter.;—

5th Line;— And this is the way I do it.

Inter.;-Repeat the activity of the fourth line.

Introduce the following activities, suiting the action to the words in imitation of the suggested activity.

> Little Snare Drum ("Trum") Big Brass Horn ("Toot") Little Gay Flute ("Whistle")



OH I CAN PLAY ON A BIG BRASS HORN

LITTLE JACK HORNER

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J. W. Elliott



MIDI (sound file)

pdf (music and lyrics)

Little Jack Horner sat in a corner, Eating a Christmas pie; He put in his thumb, and pulled out a plum, And said, "What a good boy am I!" Nice Plum! Nice Plum! Nice Plum! Nice Plum!

DESCRIPTION

MISS A. E. BARTH

Formation;—Children remain seated and move to the right side of seat.

Little Jack Horner sat in a corner,

Interpretation;— Upon the word, "sat," pupils move to the left side of seat.

2nd Line;-Eating a Christmas pie;

Upon the word, "eating," pupils encircle imaginary plate with the left arm and imitate eating with the right hand. Inter.;-

3rd Line;— He put in his thumb, And pulled out a plum,

Upon the word, "put," pupil imitates the action of putting thumb in pie and pulling out a Inter.;—

plum, making the action vigorous upon the word, "pulled," stretching the arm overhead.

Looks at the plum.

And said, "What a good boy am I!" 4th Line;— Proudly pats the chest with the left hand. Inter.;—

Conclusion:— Nice Plum! Nice Plum! Nice Plum! Nice Plum!

Inter.;— Lowers plum until it disappears in the mouth, imitating eating, tapping his chest the while.





HE PUT IN HIS THUMB, AND PULLED OUT A PLUM

ROCK-A-BYE, BABY

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MIDI (sound file) pdf (music and lyrics)

Rockabye, baby in the tree top, When the wind blows the cradle will rock; When the bough breaks the cradle will fall, And down will come baby cradle and all.

DESCRIPTION

MISS A. E. BARTH

Formation;—Standing in the right aisle at attention.

1st Line;— Rock-a-bye, baby in the tree top,

Interpretation; - Hold baby in the arms, looking down at it, and sway gently to and fro. (Right; left; right

and left.)

2nd Line;— When the wind blows the cradle will rock;

Inter.;— Rock more vigorously.

3rd Line;— When the bough breaks the cradle will fall,

Inter.;— Upon the word, "breaks," children clap hands overhead—partially dropping the baby.

4th Line;— And down will come baby, cradle and all.

Inter.;— Upon the word, "down," children spring into the air and immediately assume deep knee

bending position.

Position.



ROCKING THE BABY

JACK BE NIMBLE-No. 1

Arr. by J. N. Richards

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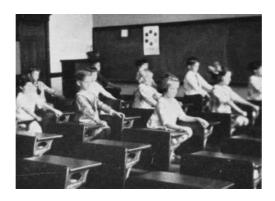
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Formation;—Standing in the right aisle with hands on hips.

Jack be nimble, Jack be quick; 1st Line:— Marking time, in place. (Seven counts.) Interpretation;-2nd Line;-Jack jumped over the candle stick.

Upon the word, "jumped," the children face to the left and vault over their own seats; finish facing the front of room with hands on hips. Inter.;—

Repeat rhyme and activity back to former aisle.



JACK JUMPED OVER THE CANDLE STICK

JACK BE NIMBLE-No. 2

Music-See Jack Be Nimble-No. 1

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Standing in the right aisle with hands on hips.

nimble 1st Line;— Jack be

With a jump execute 1/4 turn to the Interpretation;— With a jump execute 1/4 turn to the left.

right. (Front.)

2nd Line;— Jack be quick;

With a jump execute 1/4 turn to the With a jump execute 1/4 turn to the right. Inter.;—

left. (Front.)

3rd Line;— Jack jumped over

One-quarter turn to the left, placing hands on the Inter.;— Vault over the seat; replace hands to near edge of desk and back of seat, bending hips and execute 1/4 turn to the

knees slightly. right (Front.)

4th Line;— The candle stick.

Mark time, in place, three counts. (Left; right and left.) Inter.;—

Repeat back to original position.

HUMPTY DUMPTY

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MIDI (sound file)

pdf (music and lyrics)

Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall, Humpty Dumpty had a great fall; All the King's horses and all the King's men, Couldn't put Humpty Dumpty together again.

DESCRIPTION

MISS A. E. BARTH

1st Line;— Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall,

Interpretation;— Upon the word, "sat," pupils sit upon own desks; feet hanging in aisle.

2nd Line;— Humpty Dumpty had a great fall;

Inter.;— Upon the word, "fall," pupils jump into the right aisles; bending knees deeply, facing the

front of the room.

3rd Line;— All the King's horses and all the King's men,

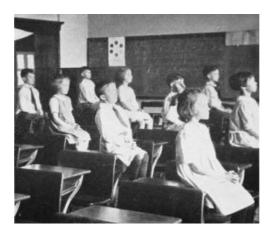
Inter.;— Assume position of attention with arms stretched forward holding imaginary reins, at the

same time "marking time" (ten counts), raising knees waist high.

4th Line;— Couldn't put Humpty Dumpty together again.

Inter.;— Shaking the head in sorrow; right, left, right and front. Hands are placed upon hips during

this movement.



HUMPTY DUMPTY SAT ON A WALL

DICKORY, DICKORY, DOCK

First Verse

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J. W. Elliott



MIDI (sound file)

pdf (music and lyrics)

Dickory, dickory, dock; The mouse ran up the clock; The clock struck, One. The mouse ran down; Dickory, dickory, dock.

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Standing in the right aisle at attention.

1st Line;— Dickory, dickory, dock;

Interpretation;— Hands clasped overhead; swaying right, left and erect.

2nd Line;— The mouse ran up the clock;

Inter.;— Upon the word, "ran," stand in own seats with the arms stretched sideward.

3rd Line;— The clock struck, One,

Inter.;— Upon the word, "One," clap hands overhead and lower arms sideward.

The mouse ran down:

Inter.;— Upon the word, "ran," jump into the left aisle with hands clasped overhead.

4th Line;— Dickory, dickory, dock.
Inter.;— Swaying right, left and erect.

Repeat activity to the right, bringing all pupils back to former aisles.



THE PENDULUM

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DICKORY, DICKORY, DOCK Second Verse—Music on Page 25

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Standing in the right aisle at attention.

1st Line;— Dickory, dickory, dock,

Interpretation;— Hands clasped overhead; swaying right, left and erect.

2nd Line;— "Why scamper," said the clock.

Inter.;— Place hands on hips; execute six running steps forward. (Seven counts.) (Left; right; left;

right; left; right; close left to right, completing the movement.)

3rd Line;— You scared me so,

Inter.;— Execute 1/2 turn right about.

I'll have to go;

Inter.;— Execute three running steps forward. (Four counts.) (Left; right; left, and close

right to left, completing the movement.)

4th Line;— Dickory, dickory, dock.

Inter.;— Hands clasped overhead; swaying right, left and erect.

Repeat to bring the class back to the original position.

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LITTLE MISS MUFFET

Arr. by J. N. RICHARDS



MIDI (sound file) pdf (music and lyrics)

Little Miss Muffet sat on a tuffet, eating of curds and whey, Along came a spider And sat down beside her; And frighten'd Miss Muffet away. Dear me! Dear me! Dear me!

DESCRIPTION

Miss A. E. Barth

Formation;—Standing in the right aisle at attention. Alternate aisles act as Miss Muffet; other aisles act as the Spider. (Count off from left flank by twos. No. 1—Miss Muffet. No. 2—The Spider.)

1st Line;— Little Miss Muffet sat on a tuffet, eating of curds and whey.

Interpretation;— Upon the word, "sat," Little Miss Muffet climbs into her own seat, faces back of room and sits upon the right side of desk. Hold imaginary plate in left arm and imitate eating.

2nd Line;— Along came a spider

Inter.;— Upon the word, "Along," the Spider hastens over own seat and Miss Muffet's aisle; climbs

upon seat and sits with Miss Muffet.

3rd Line;— And sat down beside her;
Inter.;— Completion of second line activity.
4th Line;— And frighten'd Miss Muffet away.

Inter.;— Upon the word, "frighten'd," children return to own seats.



ALONG CAME A SPIDER (Spiders vaulting seats)

JACK AND JILL

Arr. by J. N. RICHARDS

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MIDI (sound file)

pdf (music and lyrics)

Jack and Jill went up the hill, to fetch a pail of water; Jack fell down and broke his crown, And Jill came tumbling after, Boohoo! Boohoo! Boohoo!

DESCRIPTION

MISS A. E. BARTH

Formation;—Standing in the right aisle at attention. Alternate aisles act as Jack. (Girls and boys.) Other aisles act as Jill. (Girls and boys.) Count off from left flank by twos. No. 1—Jill. No. 2—Jack.

Jack and Jill went up the hill, 1st Line;—

Upon the word, "up," Jack and Jill take hold of hands and climb into same seats. (The Interpretation;—

climbing of the hill.)

2nd Line;— To fetch a pail of water;

Inter.;-No activity.

3rd Line;— Jack fell down and broke his crown,

Upon the word, "fell," Jack falls (jumps) into own aisle, bends knees, deeply covering his Inter.;—

face with his hands, imitating crying.

4th Line;— And Jill came tumbling after.

Upon the word, "tumbling," Jill falls (jumps) into the same aisle as Jack; bends knees, deeply covering her face with her hands, imitating crying. Inter.;—

Upon completion of the song all children return to their own seats, singing— Boo-hoo! Boo-hoo! Boo-hoo!



JACK AND JILL WENT UP THE HILL

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MIDI (sound file) pdf (music and lyrics)

Bye O Baby Bunting, Daddy's gone a-hunting; To fetch a little rabbit skin To wrap the Baby Bunting in.

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Standing in the right aisle at attention.

1st Line;— Bve O

Interpretation;— Hold the baby in the arms, looking down at it, and sway gently to the right.

Bunt-Baby-

Sway gently to the left. Sway gently to the right. Assume stationary position.

2nd Line;-Daddy's gone a-hunting;

Mark time, in place, seven counts; carry gun over the right shoulder (flex right arm; place hand on shoulder with fingers clenched, forefinger extended to represent barrel of gun.) Inter.:-

3rd Line;-To fetch a little rabbit skin

Kneel on left knee and extend the right arm forward, representing the aiming of a gun. Inter.:-

(Fingers of the right hand clenched, with forefinger extended; left hand resting on right

upper arm.)

4th Line;— To wrap the Baby Bunting in.

Assume erect position; bend forward and encircle body with arms and return hands to hips Inter.;-

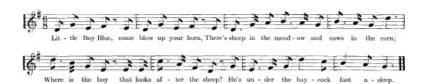
upon completion of the sentence.



AIMING THE GUN

LITTLE BOY BLUE

Permission to use words and music:—D. Appleton and Co.



MIDI (sound file) pdf (music and lyrics)

Little Boy Blue, come blow up your horn, There's sheep in the meadow and cows in the corn; Where is the boy that looks after the sheep? He's under the haycock fast asleep.

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Standing in the right aisle at attention with hands on hips.

1st Line;-Little Boy Blue, come blow up your horn,

Interpretation;— Mark time, in place. (Four counts.) Upon the word, "blow," hands clenched, elbows raised high, imitate the blowing of the horn. Finish with hands on hips.

2nd Line;-There's sheep in the meadow and cows in the corn;

Inter.;— Upon the word, "sheep," point to the right and look in direction pointed. Upon the word, "cows," replace right hand to hip; point to the left and look in direction pointed. Finish with hands on hips and eyes front.

3rd Line;— Where is the boy that looks after the sheep?

Inter.;— Upon the word, "where," shade the eyes with the right hand and look to the right. Upon the word, "looks," replace right hand to hip; shade the eyes with the left hand and look

to the left. Finish with left hand on hip and eyes front.

4th Line;— He's under the haycock fast asleep.

Inter.;— Upon the word, "under," resume seats and lower head to desks upon folded arms.



THERE'S SHEEP IN THE MEADOW

WEE WILLIE WINKIE

Arr. by J. N. RICHARDS

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MIDI (sound file) pdf (music and lyrics)

Wee Willie Winkie runs thru the town,
Upstairs and downstairs in his nightgown;
Rapping at the window,
Crying thru the lock:—
Are all the children in their beds?
Now 'tis eight o'clock.

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Standing in the right aisle with hands on hips.

1st Line;— Wee Willie Winkie runs through the town,

Interpretation;— Mark time, in place. (Knees waist high.) (Seven counts.)

2nd Line;— Upstairs and downstairs

Inter.;— Heels raised. Bend knees deeply.

in his night-

Inter.;— Stretch knees, lower heels and bow. Assume erect position.

3rd Line;— Rapping at the window,

Inter.;— With hands clenched, stretch arms upward and tap imaginary window. (Four times.)

Crying through the lock:—

Inter.;— Cup hands and carry to mouth as if calling, bending knees deeply.

4th Line;— "Are all the children in their beds?

Inter.;— Turn head to the right. Turn head to the left.

Now 'tis eight o'clock."

Inter.;— Stretch the knees and lower heels.



MIDI (sound file) pdf (music and lyrics)

Hey, diddle, diddle, the cat and the fiddle, The cow jump'd over the moon; The little dog laughed to see such sport, And the dish ran away with the spoon.

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Standing in the right aisle at attention with hands on hips.

1st Line;— Hey, diddle, diddle, the cat and the fiddle,
Interpretation;— Mark time, in place, five counts. Imitate the action of playing the fiddle. One upward stroke of the

bow.

2nd Line;— The cow jumped over the moon;

Inter.;—

Turn to the left; place hands on edge of desk and back of seat and bend knees slightly.

Turn to the left; place hands on vault over the seat.

Stretch knees, lower heels and place hands on hips.

3rd Line;— The little dog laughed to see such sport,

Inter.;— Bend trunk forward, Assume erect position with

hugging self, imitating hands on hips. great hilarity.

4th Line;— And the dish ran away with the spoon.

Inter.;— Execute a complete turn to the right with seven running steps, terminating action upon the word, "spoon."

Stamp feet twice, in place, at the completion of the entire activity.

WHERE HAS MY LITTLE DOG GONE?

Permission to use words and music:—Miss Lydia Clark and Benj. H. Sanborn & Co.

Arr. by Fannie Robertson



MIDI (sound file) pdf (music and lyrics)

Oh where, oh where has my little dog gone? Oh where, oh where has he gone? With his tail cut short and his ears cut long, Oh where, oh where has he gone?

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Standing in the right aisle at attention with hands on hips.

1st Line;— Oh where, oh where

Interpretation;— Shade eyes with the right hand and with a With a jump execute 1/4 turn to the left.

jump execute 1/4 turn to the right. (Front.)

has my little dog gone?

With a jump execute 1/4 turn to the left. With a jump execute 1/4 turn to the right.

(Front.)

2nd Line;— Oh where oh where

Inter.;— Replace right hand to hip; shade eyes with With a jump execute 1/4 turn to the right

the left hand and with a jump execute (Front.)

1/4 turn to the left.

has he g-

With a jump execute 1/4 turn to the right. With a jump execute 1/4 turn to the left

(Front.)

3rd Line;— With his tail cut short and his ears cut long,

Inter.;— Upon the word, "tail," bend forward, placing hands behind back (palms together; fingers

extended.)

Upon the words, "and his," assume erect position with hands at sides.
Upon the word, "ears," raise arms sideward, placing thumbs in ears (fingers extended.)

4th Line;—

Inter.;-

Oh where,

Replace left hand to hip; shade eyes with the right hand and with a jump execute

1/2 turn right about.

has he

oh where

With a jump execute 1/2 turn right about. (Front.)

gone?

Replace right hand to hip, bow and assume erect position.



LOOKING FOR THE DOG

RIDE A COCK-HORSE

Arr. by J. N. RICHARDS



MIDI (sound file)

pdf (music and lyrics)

Ride a Cock-horse to Banbury Cross, To see a fine lady upon a white horse, Rings on her fingers and bells on her toes, She shall have music wherever she goes.

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Standing in the right aisle at attention with hands on hips.

1st Line;—

Ride a Cock-horse to Banbury Cross,

Interpretation;—

Stretch arms forward, holding imaginary reins; bending and stretching knees. (Three times.)

2nd Line;—

To see a fine lady upon a white horse,

Inter.;—

Replace left hand to hip; shade the eyes with the right hand and rotate the body to the right upon the word, "To." Replace the right hand to hip; shade the eyes with the left hand and rotate the body to the left upon the word, "upon." Replace the left hand to hip and turn the body forward upon the word, "horse."

3rd Line;—

Rings on her fingers and bells on her toes,

Inter.;-

Raise arms forward, palms forward, fingers and thumbs extended upon the word, "Rings." Bend the trunk slightly forward and lower arms (palms forward), looking at the toes, upon the word, "bells." Assume erect position with hands on hips, upon the word, "toes."

4th Line;—

She shall have music wherever she goes.

Inter.;—

Wave the baton with the right hand (forefinger extended; thumb and remaining fingers clenched) to the left, right, left, right and left, upon the words, "She shall have music." (Five counts.)

Replace the right hand to hip, bow and assume erect position upon the words, "wherever she goes."



YANKEE DOODLE



MIDI (sound file)

pdf (music and lyrics)

Yankee Doodle came to town, A riding on a pony, He stuck a feather in his hat, And called it Macaroni. Yankee Doodle, Ha! Ha! Ha! Yankee Doodle Dandy; Mind the music and your step And round the house be handy.

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Standing in the right aisle at attention with hands on hips.

Verse

1st Line;— Yankee Doodle came to town,

Interpretation;— Children mark time, in place. (Seven counts.)

2nd Line;— A riding on a pony,

Stretching arms forward as if holding imaginary reins; bend and stretch knees (four Inter.;—

times), finishing with hands on hips.

3rd Line;— He stuck a feather in his hat,

Upon the word, "stuck," take off the hat with the left hand and upon the word, "in," insert the feather. Finish with hands on hips. Inter.;—

4th Line;— And called it Macaroni.

Inter.;— Mark time, in place. (Eight counts.)

Chorus

Yankee Doodle, Ha! Ha! Ha! 1st Line:-

Mark time, in place. (Four counts.) Clap hands, three times. Finish with hands on Inter.;—

hips.

2nd Line;— Yankee Doodle Dandy.

Mark time, in place. (Four counts.) Bow and assume erect position. Inter.;-

3rd Line:-Mind the music and your step

Wave the baton with right hand Mark time, in place. (Three counts.) Inter.:-

(forefinger extended) left, right, left and right. (Four counts.) Finish with hands

on hips.

4th Line;— And round the house be handy.

Inter.;— Upon the word, "round," execute a half turn to the right about by jumping. Upon the word,

"house," execute a half turn to the right about by jumping. Upon the word, "handy,"

jump, in place, three times and salute with the right hand.



THE SALUTE (See page 35)



MIDI (sound file)

pdf (music and lyrics)

Pat-a-cake, Pat-a-cake, Baker's Man, Stir it and stir it as fast as you can; Roll it and prick it and mark it with "B," And put in the oven for baby and me.

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Standing in the right aisle at attention with hands on hips. Count off by twos from left to right and have "ones" face to the right and "twos" face to the left. (Open line formation; partners facing each other.)

1st Line;— Pat-a-cake, Pat-a-cake, Baker's Man,

Interpretation; - Clap own hands three Clap partner's hands three Hands hips; bow and assume erect

times. times. position.

2nd Line;— Stir it and stir it as fast as you can;

Inter.;-Hold imaginary bowl in the left arm (shoulder high), stirring with the right hand,

increasing revolutions upon the word, "fast." Upon the word, "can," the hands return to

hips.

3rd Line:-Roll it and prick it and mark it with "B";

Upon the words, "roll it," raise hands (palms together; right hand on top) shoulder height, and roll it by a sliding movement. Inter.:-

Upon the words, "prick it," suit action to the words and prick cake, using forefinger of right hand, pressing same into left palm.

Upon the words, "mark it," join forefingers with thumbs, raising to eye height and form letter "B." (Deaf and dumb alphabet.)

4th Line;— And put in the oven for baby and me.

Upon the word, "put," imitate the action of placing the cake in the oven by extending arms Inter.;—

forward (palms up) and bending knees. Assume erect position with hands on hips upon

Upon the word, "baby," bow and assume erect position. Upon the word, "me," raise the right arm (shoulder height) and place forefinger on chest.

Position.



PAT-A-CAKE

BEAN PORRIDGE

Arr. by J. N. RICHARDS



MIDI (sound file)

pdf (music and lyrics)

Bean porridge hot, Bean porridge cold, Bean porridge in the pot, Nine days old: Some like it hot.

And some like it cold, Some like it in the pot, Nine days old.

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Standing in the right aisle in partner formation (open line formation; partners facing), with hands on hips.

Files numbered from the left flank by twos. No. Ones face to the right; No. Twos face to the left.

1st Line;— Bean porridge hot,

Interpretation;— Clap hands to thighs. Clap own hands. Clap partner's hands.

Bean porridge cold,

Inter.;— Clap hands to thighs. Clap own hands. Clap partner's hands.

2nd Line;— Bean porridge

Inter.;— Clap hands to thighs. Clap own hands.

in the pot,

With right hand clap partner's right hand. Clap own hands.

Nine days old;

Inter.;— With left hand clap partner's left hand. Clap own hands. Clap partner's hands.

Description of pupil;—Number Two. Number One;—Counterlike.

3rd Line;— Some like it hot, And
Inter.;— Clasp partner's hands and raise arms to Close left to right. Step dip, right.

shoulder height. Step sideward right.

some like it cold,

Inter.;— Step sideward left. Close right to left. Step dip, left.

4th Line;— Some like it

Inter.;— Face to the right; place right hand on hip, inner hands joined and Step forward, left.

raised shoulder height. Step forward, right.

in the pot,

Step forward, right. Close left to right and place left hand on hip.

Nine days old.

Inter.;— With a jump execute a half turn right With a jump execute a half turn right about.

about.

FLY AWAY JACK AND JILL

Arr. by J. N. RICHARDS



MIDI (sound file)

pdf (music and lyrics)

Two little blackbirds, Sitting on a hill, One named Jack, And the other named Jill; Fly away Jack And fly away Jill; Come again Jack And come again Jill.

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Standing in the right aisle in partner formation (open line formation; partners facing each other); arms raised forward (shoulder height) and clasp partner's hands.

Note.—If desk width is too great have pupils place hands on hips.

"Count off" from the left flank by twos.

No. 1:—Jack. No. 2:—Jill.

1st Line;— Two little

Interpretation;— Left file (Jack); Step sideward, left. Close right to left, Inter.;— Right file (Jill); Step sideward, right. Close left to right.

black- birds

Step sideward, left. Close right to left.

Step sideward, right. Close left to right.

2nd Line;— Sitting on

Inter.;— Left file (Jack); Stamp left. Stamp right.

Inter.;— Right file (Jill); Stamp right. Stamp left.

a hill,

Replace hands to hips and bend knees deeply. Replace hands to hips and bend knees deeply.

3rd Line;— One named Jack,

Inter.;— Left file (Jack); Stretch knees and turn to Bow and assume erect position.

the left.

Inter.;— Right file (Jill); No activity. No activity.

4th Line;— And the

Inter.;— No activity for either files.

other named Jill;

Right file (Jill); Stretch knees and turn to Bow and assume erect position.

the right.

Left file (Jack); No activity.

Left file (Jack); No activity.

5th Line;— Fly away, Jack And fly away, Jill,

Inter.;— Left file (Jack); face to the right and execute Right file (Jill); face to the left and execute

three chasses to the left. three chasses to the right.

Inter.;— Right file (Jill); No activity. Left file (Jack); No activity.

6th Line;— Come again, Jack And come again, Jill.

Inter.;— Left file (Jack); Three chasses to the right. Right file (Jill); Three chasses to the left.

Inter.;— Right file (Jill); No activity. Left file (Jack); No activity.

DIDDLE, DIDDLE DUMPLING



MIDI (sound file) pdf (music and lyrics)

Diddle, Diddle Dumpling, my son John; Went to bed with his trousers on. One shoe off and one shoe on. Diddle, Diddle Dumpling, my son John.

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Standing in the right aisle in partner formation. Open line formation; partners facing each other; arms raised forward (shoulder height) and clasp partner's hands.

Note.—If desk width is too great have pupils place hands on hips.

Note.—Description of movement of pupil facing to the left. Movements of partner;—reverse.

1st Line;— Diddle, Diddle Dumpling, my son John;

Interpretation;— Step throw, right and left. (Four counts.) Stamp feet; right, left, right and hold.

(Four counts.)

2nd Line;— Went to bed with his trousers on.

Inter.;— Step throw, left and right. (Four counts.) Replace left foot, bend knees deeply;

lower arms with hands clenched.

Stretch knees, pulling trousers on and place hands on hips. (Two counts per

movement; four counts in all.)

3rd Line;— One shoe off and one shoe on,

Inter.;— Arms raised forward (shoulder height) and Step left sideward and close right to left

clasp partner's hands. Step right and step throw, left. (Schottische.) (Four sideward and close left to right and step

throw, right. (Schottische.) (Four

counts.)

4th Line;— Diddle, Diddle Dumpling my son John.

Inter.;— Jump, in place, once. (Two counts.)

Jump, in place, once. (Two counts.)

Jump, in place, three times and hold. (Four counts.)

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When the Pie was o-pen'd, The Birds be-gan to sing; Was-n't that a dain-ty dish To set be-fore a King.

MIDI (sound file)

pdf (music and lyrics)

Sing a song of sixpence, A pocket full of Rye; Four and twenty Blackbirds bak'd in a Pie. When the Pie was open'd, The Birds began to sing; Wasn't that a dainty dish to set before a King!

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Standing in the right aisle facing each other with hands on hips. (Open line formation; partners facing each other.)

1st Line;— Sing a song of sixpence,

Interpretation;— Step to the right, place left toe behind right heel, bending both knees slightly. Repeat to

the left. (Cues:—Step and bend and step and bend.)

2nd Line;— A pocket full of Rye;

Inter.;— Execute three slides to the right and bring heels together on the fourth count. (Cues;

Slide, slide, slide and heels.)

3rd Line;— Four and twenty Blackbirds,

Inter.;— Repeat the activity of the first line, starting to the left.

4th Line:— Bak'd in a Pie.

Inter.;— Repeat activity of the second line to the left.

5th Line;— When the Pie was open'd,

Inter.;— Pupils face forward; raise arms forward (shoulder height) in circle form and then extend

sideward, imitating the opening of the pie.

6th Line;— The Birds began to sing;

Inter.;— Fluttering of arms up and down, imitating the flying of birds.

7th Line;— Wasn't that a dainty dish

Inter.;— Replace both hands to hips on the word, "dainty." Upon the word, "dish," stretch the right

hand forward as if holding the dish and nod the head in approval.

8th Line;— To set before a King!

Inter.;— Step sideward to the right, close feet and bow with arms stretched sideward.



SING A SONG OF SIXPENCE (See page 40)

SING A SONG OF SIXPENCE (Continued)

J. W. Elliott

2nd Verse.



MIDI (sound file) pdf (music and lyrics)

The King was in the counting house, Counting out his money; The Queen was in the parlour, Eating bread and honey; The maid was in the garden, Hanging out the clothes;

There came a little Dicky Bird And popp'd upon her nose.

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Standing in the right aisle with hands on hips, facing the front of room.

1st Line;— The King was in

Interpretation;— Jump, in place, with a quarter turn to the right.

Jump, in place, with a quarter turn

to the left. (Front.)

the counting house,
Place left foot in seat area. Sit in seat.

Counting out his money;

Inter.;— Suit activity to words, holding imaginary coins in palm of left hand and count with the

right hand.

Inter.;-

2nd Line;— The Queen was in

Inter.;— Stand in the right aisle; face to the left and immediately place hands in support on back of Vault over seat, (Upon completion of vault, the hands assume normal

seat and edge of desk. position.)

the parlour,

Inter.;— Face to the right; place right foot in seat area and become seated.

Eating bread and honey;

Inter.;— Suit activity to words, encircling imaginary plate with left arm and imitate eating with the

right hand.

3rd Line;— The maid was in

Inter.;— Place right foot in right aisle. Stand in right aisle and place hands

on hips.

the garden,

Inter.;— Bow and assume erect position.

Hanging out

Inter.:— Bend trunk forward downward; stretch arms Raise trunk, stretch arms upward

downward, grasping clothes. and grasp imaginary clothesline.

the clothes;

Inter.;— Using right hand, take clothes-pin out of mouth and pin clothes on the line.

4th Line;— There came a little Dicky Bird,

Inter.;— Replace hands to hips and mark time, in place. (Left, right, left and right.)

And popped upon her

Inter.;— Jump, in place, and clap hands once. Replace hands to hips; step right

sideward and close left to right.

nose!

Inter.;— Bow and assume erect position.

SEE SAW, MARJORY DAW

Permission to use words and music:—McLoughlin Bros.

J. W. Elliott



MIDI (sound file) pdf (music and lyrics)

Seesaw, Marjory Daw, Jack shall have a new master, He shall have but a penny a day, Because he won't work any faster.

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Arrange class so that three aisles may work together.

Center aisle;—Jump to stride stand with arms raised sideward.

Outer aisles;—Face the center and grasp with both hands the outstretched hand of pupil in center.

The center player acts as the Board; outer players as riders.

See Saw, Marjory Daw, 1st Line;—

Interpretation;— Center activity;— Pupil bends trunk to the right, left, right and left.

When center pupils bend to the right, the children on the right act as Outer aisles;—

riders on board, bending and stretching knees. In reversing the

movement, similar activity for those on the left.

2nd Line;— Jack shall have a new master,

Center and outer aisles activity;—Continue movement as described for the first line, Inter.;—

finishing in erect position with hands on hips.

3rd Line;— He shall have but a penny a day,

Placing left hand to right elbow, shake index finger three times upon Inter.;— Outer aisles;—

the words, "he shall have"; repeat motion with the left hand upon the words, "but a penny a day." Finish with hands on hips.

Center activity;— Nod to the right upon the words, "he shall have"; assume erect position

and nod to the left upon the words, "but a penny a day." Finish with

hands on hips.

4th Line;— Because he won't work any faster.

Repeat activity of first line. (Center and outer aisles.) Inter.;—

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Circle

(Outer aisles of classroom or in open area.)

Note.—The following Rhythm Plays are suitable to any open area.

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LITTLE JACK HORNER

Permission to use words and music:—McLoughlin Bros.

Arr. by J. W. Elliott



MIDI (sound file)

pdf (music and lyrics)

And pulled out a plum, And said, "What a good boy am I!" Nice Plum! Nice Plum! Nice Plum!

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Single circle formation facing line of direction with hands on hips.

1st Line;— Little Jack Horner sat in a corner,

Interpretation;— Step forward, right. Step forward, left. Step forward, right, Bend knees deeply.

turn to the left, closing left foot to right foot.

2nd Line;— Eating a Christmas pie;

Inter.;— Upon the word, "eating," children encircle imaginary plate with the left arm and imitate

eating with the right hand.

3rd Line;— He put in his thumb, And pulled out a plum,

Inter.;— Upon the word, "put," children imitate the action of putting thumb in pie and pulling out a

plum, making the action vigorous upon the word, "pulled," stretching the arm overhead.

Look at plum.

4th Line;— And said, "What a good boy am I!"

Inter.;— Proudly pats the chest with the left hand.

Conclusion; — Nice Plum! Nice Plum! Nice Plum! Nice Plum!

Inter.;— Lowers plum to mouth, imitating eating, tapping the chest the while.

LITTLE MISS MUFFET

Arr. by J. N. RICHARDS

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MIDI (sound file) pdf (music and lyrics)

Little Miss Muffet sat on a tuffet, eating of curds and whey,

Along came a spider

And sat down beside her;

And frighten'd Miss Muffet away.

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Double circle formation facing line of direction with hands on hips.

Inner circle:—The Spider.

Outer circle:-Miss Muffet.

Suggestion;—In so far as possible have the boys form the inner circle and the girls the outer circle.

1st Line;— Little Miss Muffet sat on a tuffet,

Interpretation;— Outer circle (Miss Muffet); starting with the right foot execute three Bend knees

steps in line of direction. (Right; left; right and close left to right.) deeply.

Inter.;— Inner circle (Spider); No activity.

eating of curds and whey,

Inter.;— Hold imaginary plate in the left hand (palm up) and imitate eating. Hands are replaced to

hips upon the completion of the word, "whey."

Inter.;— Inner circle (Spider); No activity.

2nd Line;— Along came a spider

Inter.;— Inner circle (Spider); Starting with the left foot execute five running steps in line of

direction. (This should bring partners together.)

Inter.;— Outer circle (Miss Muffet); No activity.

3rd Line;— And sat down beside her;

Inter.;— Inner circle Spring upward and upon return bend knees deeply

(Spider); Bend and face partner. Raise hands, fingers extended

knees slightly. and flexed. (Eye height.)

And sat down beside her;

Inter.;— Outer circle (Miss Muffet); Turns head to the left, holds hands in position to ward off

attack of the Spider.

4th Line;— And frighten'd Miss Muffet away.

Inter.;— Outer circle (Miss Muffet); Place hands on hips; stretch knees and with six running



THE SPIDER FRIGHTENING MISS MUFFET (See page 46)

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JACK AND JILL

Arr. by J. N. RICHARDS



MIDI (sound file)

pdf (music and lyrics)

Jack and Jill went up the hill, To fetch a pail of water; Jack fell down and broke his crown, And Jill came tumbling after. Boohoo! Boohoo! Boohoo!

DESCRIPTION

Formation; —Double circle formation. Children bend knees deeply; place outside hand on hip and clasp partner's hand.

Inner circle:—Jill. Outer circle:—Jack.

1st Line;— Jack and Jill went up the hill,

Interpretation;— Starting with the left foot marching in line of direction execute three steps, closing right

foot to left upon completion of movement. As the steppings are taken, the knees are

stretched gradually until reaching erect position.

2nd Line;— To fetch a pail of wa-

Bend trunk forward, stretching left arm (hand clenched) Assume erect position Inter.; with hands on hips.

downward, holding imaginary pail under spout of pump. Bend right arm (hand clenched) to thrust, grasping the imaginary pump handle. Imitate pumping of water (Three

times.)

3rd Line;-Jack fell down and broke his crown,

Activity as applied to children representing Jack. (Outer circle.)

Upon the word, "Jack," bend knees slightly; upon the word, "fell," pupils spring lightly Inter.;—

upward and assume deep knee position, placing right hand upon the head (the crown)

and left hand upon the floor. (The hand on floor is in the forward plane.)

4th Line;— And Jill came tumbling after.

Activity as applied to children representing Jill. (Inner circle.)

Upon the word, "Jill," bend knees slightly; upon the word, "came," spring lightly upward and assume deep knee position, covering face with right hand (crying) and placing left Inter.;—

hand on floor. (The hand on floor is in the forward plane.)

Upon completion of the song all children gradually stretch the knees, shaking the head in sorrow as they sing—Boo-hoo! Boo-hoo! Boo-hoo!

Cover the face with the hands.

Movement of head;—Right; left; right; left; right; left; right and front.



DICKORY, DICKORY, DOCK

Permission to use words and music:—McLoughlin Bros.

J. W. Elliott



MIDI (sound file)

pdf (music and lyrics)

Dickory, dickory, dock; The mouse ran up the clock; The clock struck One, The mouse ran down; Dickory, dickory, dock.

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Single circle facing line of direction with hands on hips.

1st Line;— Dickory, dickory, dock;

Interpretation;— Arms stretched overhead with Bend trunk to the right. Assume erect position.

hands clasped. Bend trunk

to the left.

2nd Line;— The mouse ran up the clock;

Inter.;— Place hands on hips; turn to the left and starting with the left foot execute six running

steps forward, closing left foot to right, completing the movement. (Seven counts.)

3rd Line;— The clock struck One,

Inter.;— Turn right about. Clap hands overhead and

replace to hips.

The mouse ran down

Inter.;— Three running steps forward. (Left; right and left.) Step forward, right, and turn

to the left, closing left foot

to right foot.

4th Line;— Dickory, dickory, dock.

Inter.;— Arms stretched overhead with Bend trunk to the right. Assume erect position.

hands clasped. Bend trunk

to the left.

Position!

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LOOBY LOO

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Arr. by Fannie Robertson



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Here we dance Looby Loo,
Here we dance Looby light,
Here we dance Looby Loo,
All on a Saturday night,
I put my right hand in,
I put my right hand out,
I give my right hand a shake, shake,
And turn myself about, Oh!

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Single circle formation, facing counter clock-wise (right), in close order formation. Hands are placed upon the shoulders of the pupil in front.

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Note}}.\mathbf{--} \ensuremath{\mathsf{In}}$ classroom: $\mathbf{--} \ensuremath{\mathsf{Single}}$ circle around one row of seats.

Verse

Here we dance Looby Loo, Here we dance Looby Light, Here we dance Looby Loo, Every Saturday night.

Interpretation;—

Children march in line of direction, starting with inside foot (left), swaying inward (left) and outward (right). Upon the completion of the verse, the children immediately cease the movement and face the center of the circle.

Chorus

I put my right hand in, I put my right hand out,

I give my right hand a shake, shake, shake,

And turn myself about. Oh!

Inter.;—

Imitate activity as suggested and in turning execute same by spinning about upon the right foot to the right. Upon completion of the turn immediately face line of direction, placing hands upon pupil's shoulders in front in readiness for the verse action.

Chorus

2nd;—I put my left hand in, etc. 3rd;—I put my right foot in, etc. 4th;—I put my left foot in, etc. 5th;—I put my little head in, etc. 6th;—I put my whole self in, etc.

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BAA, BAA, BLACK SHEEP

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pdf (music and lyrics)

Baa, baa, Black Sheep, have you any wool? Yes, sir; yes, sir! Three bags full; One for my master, One for my dame. But none for the little boy That cries in the lane.

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Children form a single circle with hands joined. (The Sheep.) A boy is chosen who stands in the center of the circle. (The little boy in the lane.) Outer, front and rear aisles of room utilized.

1st Line;— Baa, Baa, Black Sheep, have you any wool?

Interpretation;— Seven quick slides to the right, ceasing movement on the eighth count.

2nd Line;— Yes, sir; yes, sir!

Inter.;— Those in the circle (The Sheep), place hands on hips and nod their heads twice

emphatically.

Three bags full;

Inter.;— Place right elbow in left hand with three fingers extended, shaking same three times

vigorously.

3rd Line;— One for my master,

Inter.;— Step sideward to the right and close feet; bow and assume erect position. Hands are

placed upon the hips.

One for my dame,

Inter.;— Step sideward to the left and close feet; bow and assume erect position. Hands are placed

upon hips.

4th Line;— But none for the little boy

Inter.;— Mark time, in place; (right; left; right; left); turning head to the right, left, right and front.

Hands are placed on hips.

That cries in the lane.

Inter.;— Place right elbow in the left hand with forefinger extended, shaking same three times

vigorously at the little boy in the center of the circle.



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THE LITTLE BOY CRYING IN THE LANE

BEAN PORRIDGE

Arr. by J. N. RICHARDS



MIDI (sound file)

1st Line;—

pdf (music and lyrics)

hot,

Bean porridge hot, Bean porridge cold, Bean porridge in the pot, Nine days old; Some like it hot, And some like it cold, Some like it in the pot, Nine days old.

Bean

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Double circle formation facing partners with hands on hips.

Suggestion:—In so far as possible have the sex units divided; the boys forming the inner circle and the girls forming the outer circle.

porridge

Interpretation;—	Clap hands to thighs.	Clap own hands.	Clap partner's hands.	
Inter.;—	Bean Clap hands to thighs.	porridge Clap own hands.	cold, Clap partner's hands.	
2nd Line;— Inter.;—	Bean Clap hands to thighs.	porridg Clap ow	e 7n hands.	
Inter.;—	in the With right hand, clap par hand.	pot, tner's right Clap ow	n hands.	
Inter.;—	Nine With left hand clap partner's left hand.	days Clap own hands.	old; Clap partner's hands.	

Description of pupil; Outer circle. Counterlike as to movement for pupils of inner circle.

3rd Line;—	Some Clasp partner's hands and raise arms to shoulder height. Step sideward, right. (In line of direction.)	like it	hot, And
Inter.;—		Close left to right.	Step dip, right.
Inter.;—	Some	like it	cold,
	Step sideward, left. (In reverse line of direction.)	Close right to left.	Step dip, left.
4th Line;— Inter.;—	Some like it in the pot, Four chasse steps in line of direction.		
Inter.;—	Nine days Jump, in place, once.	old. Jump, in place, once	



MIDI (sound file) pdf (music and lyrics)

Two little blackbirds, Sitting on a hill, One named Jack And the other named Jill; Fly away, Jack and fly away, Jill; Come again, Jack And come again, Jill.

DESCRIPTION

Formation; - Double circle facing counter clockwise (line of direction); inside hands joined and raised shoulder height; outside hands on hips.

> Outer circle:-Jill. Inner circle:—Jack.

Suggestion;—In so far as possible have the sex units divided, the boys forming the inside circle and the girls forming the outside circle.

Start the dance movement with the outside foot. (Boys beginning with the left foot; girls beginning with the right foot.)

1st Line;— Two little blackbirds,

Three steps in line of direction. Interpretation;-

Inner circle (Jack);—(Left; right, left and close right to left.) Outer circle (Jill);—(Right; left, right and close left to right.)

Sitting on a hill,

Bend knees deeply. Outer and inner circles. Inter.;-

2nd Line:-One named **Tack**

Inter.;-Inner circle (Jack); place hands on hips,

stretch knees and turn to partner.

(Right.)

named Jack One No activity. Inter.;—

Outer circle (Jill); Replace left hand to hip and remain in deep knee

position.

And the other named

Outer circle (Jill); stretch No activity for either Bow and assume erect Inter.;—

position. circles. knees and turn to partner

Bow and assume erect position.

Jill;

(Left.)

Inner circle;—No activity. Inter.:-

Fly away, Jack fly away, Jill; 3rd Line;— And

Inner circle (Jack); Three chasses in line of Outer circle (Jill); Three chasses in line of Inter.;-

direction. direction.

Inter.;-Outer circle (Jill); No activity. Inner circle; (Jack); No activity.

4th Line:-Come again, Jack And come again, Jill.

Inner circle (Jack); Three chasses in Outer circle (Jill); Three chasses in reverse Inter.;-

> reverse line of direction. line of direction.

Outer circle (Jill); No activity. Inter.;-Inner circle (Jack); No activity.



TWO LITTLE BLACK BIRDS SITTING ON A HILL (See page 52)

POP GOES THE WEASEL



MIDI (sound file)

pdf (music and lyrics)

A sixpence for a spool of thread, A penny for a needle; That's the way the money goes; Pop goes the weasel. Watch how the needle does fly, Nimble hands to guide it; Every time the wheel goes round, Pop goes the weasel.

DESCRIPTION

Formation; —Double circle formation, partners facing; hands joined and raised shoulder height. Suggestion;—In so far as possible have the sex units divided, the boys forming the inner circle and the girls forming the outer circle.

Description of the pupils occupying the outer circle (girls); inner circle (boys); counterlike.

Verse

1st Line;— A sixpence for a spool of thread, Interpretation;— Step dip, right. (In line of direction.) Step dip, left. (In reverse line of direction.) A penny for a needle; 2nd Line;— Four chasse steps in line of direction. Inter.;— Note.—On the fourth chasse step do not close left foot to the right. 3rd Line; the way the money goes; Inter.;— Face line of direction; inner Step Step Close right to left and place inner hand to hip. hands joined and outer forward, forward. hands on hips. Step right. left. forward, left. 4th Line; goes the weasel. With a jump, execute a turn Inter.;— With a jump, execute a turn right about, and right about and clap hands clap hands once. Finish with inner hands once. joined and outer hands on hips. Facing in line

POP GOES THE WEASEL

of direction.

(Continued)

Repeat Verse

1st Line;— Interpretation;—	A sixpence for Two step, right. (In line of d		-	ool of thread, step, left. (In line of direction.)
2nd Line;— Inter.;—	A penny Step forward, right.	for a Step forward,	left.	needle; Step forward, right and close left to right.
3rd Line;— Inter.;—	That's the way Two step, left. (In line of dir	ection.)		noney goes; step, right. (In line of direction.)
4th Line;— Inter.;—	Pop Step forward, left.	goes the Step forward, right.		weasel. Step forward, left and close right to the left. Finish with hands on hips.
		Chorus		

1st Line;— Watch how the needle does fly, Turn to partner and step dip, right. (In line of Step dip, left. (In reverse line of Inter.;—

direction.) Clap hands three times. direction.) Clap hands three times.

2nd Line;— Nimble hands to guide it;

Encircle to the right with three walking steps. (Right; left; right and close left to right.) As the Inter.;—

first step is taken clap hands once and replace hands to hips.

3rd Line;— Every time the wheel goes round,

Inter.;— Step dip, left. (In reverse line of direction.) Clap hands three times. Step dip, right. (In line of direction.) Clap hands three times.

4th Line;— Pop goes the weasel.

Inter.;— Encircle to the left with three walking steps. (Left; right; left and close right to the left.) As the first step is taken clap hands once and replace hands to hips.

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DAPPLE GREY

Arr. by J. N. RICHARDS



MIDI (sound file)

pdf (music and lyrics)

I had a little pony
And his name was Dapple Grey;
I lent him to a lady,
To ride a mile away.
She whipped him and she slashed him,
She rode him through the mire;
I would not lend my pony now
For all the lady's hire.

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Children arranged in double circle formation, facing counter clockwise (line of direction); outside hands placed on hips; inside hands joined and raised shoulder height.

Suggestion;—In so far as possible have the sex units divided, the boys forming the inside circle and the girls forming the outside circle.

Start the dance movement with the outside foot. (Boys beginning with the left foot; girls beginning with the right foot.)

Description of pupils in outer circles. (Girls.) Counterlike—Inner

a little 1st Line;— I had pony Point step backward, Interpretation; — Point step forward, right. Three steps forward and hold. right. (Right; left and right.) Cues;-Point and point and step, step, step. And his name was Dapple Grey; Swing left forward and Inter.:-Point step backward, left. Three steps forward and hold. point step forward, left. (Left; right and left.) Cues;-Point and point and step, step, step.

2nd Line;— I lent him to a lady,

Inter.;— With a jump, face partner; Jump, in place, once. Step throw, right and step throw, clasp outside hands and

clasp outside hands and raise both arms to shoulder height.

To ride a mile away.

Inter.;—Seven chasses in line of direction, closing left to right, completing movement.

3rd Line;— She whipped him and she slashed him,

Inter.;—

Replace left hand to hip. Grasp imaginary whip with the right hand and with a vigorous motion imitate whipping. (Three times replacing hand to hip upon the word, "him.") Mark time, in place, six counts. (Right; left; right; left; right and left.)

Note.—The downward movement of whipping takes place as the right foot is lowered

to the floor.

She rode him through the mire;

Inter.;— Clasp partner's hands, raising arms to shoulder height and bend and stretch knees six

times.

4th Line;— I would not lend my pony now

Inter.;— Step dip, right, clapping Step dip, left, clapping Face line of direction; replace hands three times. Step dip, left, clapping Face line of direction; replace hands to hips and execute two

nds three times. hands three times. hands to hips and execute two steps forward. (Right; left and

close light to left.)

For all the lady's hire.

Inter.;— Step throw, right. Step throw, left. Mark time, in place, three counts. (Right; left and right.)



I HAD A LITTLE PONY (See page 56)

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SING A SONG OF SIXPENCE

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Arr. by J. W. Elliott



MIDI (sound file) pdf (music and lyrics)

Sing a song of sixpence, A pocket full of Rye; Four and twenty Blackbirds Bak'd in a Pie. When the Pie was open'd, The Birds began to sing; Wasn't that a dainty dish To set before a King.

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Single circle formation facing counter clockwise (right) in close order formation. Hands are placed upon the shoulders of the pupil in front.

1st Verse

1st Line;— Sing a song of sixpence, A pocket full of Rye;

Interpretation;— Starting with the inside foot (left) moving in line of direction execute point step forward

and step, left; right; left and right. During this movement, bend the trunk slightly to the

left and right as the activity proceeds.

Cues;—Point and step; point and step; point and step; point and step.

2nd Line;— Four and twenty Blackbirds

Inter.;— Turn the head to the left; step sideward, left and close right to left and repeat.

Cue;—Step and close; step and close.

Bak'd in a Pie.

Inter.;— Turn the head to the right; step sideward, right and close left to the right and repeat.

Cue;—Step and close; step and close.

3rd Line;— When the Pie was open'd,

Inter.;— Facing inward (left); clasp hands to the right and left and starting with the right foot

execute three steps backward. (Right; left; right and close left to the right.)

Cues;—Step; step and close.

The Birds began to sing;

Inter.;— Three chasse steps in line of direction. (To the right.)

4th Line;— Wasn't that a dainty dish

Inter.;— Extend arms forward slightly flexed, clapping hands seven times, and step bend, left and

right. (Step to the left; place the right toe behind the left heel, bending both knees slightly. During this movement the head is turned to the left, the trunk bending slightly as the knee bending occurs. (Counterlike as to movement of head and trunk when

executed to the right.)

To set before a King?

Inter.;— Replace hands to hips; step sideward, left and close right to Bow and assume erect

left. position.



MIDI (sound file) pdf (music and lyrics)

The King was in the counting house, Counting out his money;
The Queen was in the parlour,
Eating bread and honey;
The maid was in the garden,
Hanging out the clothes;
There came a little Dicky Bird,
And popp'd upon her nose.

DESCRIPTION

Formation;—Single circle facing inward with hands on hips.

1st Line;— The King was in the counting house,

Interpretation;— Starting with the left foot execute three steps forward. (Left; right; left and close right to

the left.)

Counting out his money;

Inter.:— Bend knees deeply and suit activity to the words, holding imaginary coins in the palm of

the left hand, counting with the right hand. (Six counts.)

2nd Line;— The Queen was in the parlour,

Inter.;— Stretch the knees, lower heels; facing to the right, start with the right foot, execute three

chasse steps to the right, with arms raised sideward.

Eating bread and honey;

Inter.;— Hold imaginary plate in the left hand (palm up) and suit activity to words, imitating eating

with the right hand. (Six counts.)

3rd Line;— The maid was in the garden,

Inter.;— Extend arms forward slightly flexed, clapping hands seven times, and step bend, left and

right. (Step to the left, place right toe behind the left heel, bending both knees slightly. During this movement the head is turned to the left, the trunk bending slightly as the knee bending occurs. (Counterlike as to movement of head and trunk when executed to

the right.)

Hanging out the clothes;

Inter.;— Replace left foot; stretch the knees; Stretching the trunk; Take clothespin out of bending trunk forward, raise arms forward mouth with right hand

downward grasping clothes with upward to imaginary and pin clothes to hands. clothesline.

4th Line;— There came a little Dicky Bird,

Inter.;— Replace hands to hips, execute four hops forward.

And popp'd upon her nose.

Inter.;— Clap hands, replacing same to hips, and execute one-quarter Bow and assume erect

turn to the left by hopping.

Clap hands, replacing same to mps, and execute one-quarter bow and assuments to the left by hopping.

position.

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