

CHICKEN DANCE

Learn to Dance - Activity Guide

Overview

Students will engage with an online musical that introduces them to professional theatre and connects to their language arts curriculum. They will learn a dance from the show and have the chance to participate in a music video of the song and dance they've learned.

Skills Developed

These activities are designed to advance students' skills in

- demonstrating competency in a variety of dance patterns
- applying concepts and strategies related to learning a dance
- listening to and watching a professional choreographer teach a professional dance number.

Materials

"Learn to Dance" instructional video. (22 minutes)

Instructions

1. Before watching the video, ask your students : Do you think it would be fun to learn a dance from the show *Chicken Dance* that we saw together?
2. Watch "Learn to Dance" to have Sarah teach the class how to dance the song, "Chicken Dance." You may start and stop as you learn the dance moves taught by Sarah. Your students should be out of their seats and dancing along with Sarah.
3. If your students have learned both the dance movements and lyrics to the song, you may create a video of your students performing "Chicken Dance" so they can enjoy seeing themselves on the screen. (You can use the audio files provided, either with or without lyrics, to make your music video.)

Follow Up

Discuss these questions with your students:

1. Was learning the dance fun? Why or why not?
2. Would you like to perform the dance for others?