

# A SONG YOU'LL LOVE TO KNOW

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## CHALLENGE

Today's song talks about the 'hand-jive'.

Your challenge is to learn how to do it!

It's very easy, but great fun to perform.

The moves are done over 16 beats

(4 sets of 4), which then repeat:

- **Pat thighs** (1-2), **clap hands** (3-4)
- **Criss-cross hands:** twice right over left (1-2), twice left over right (3-4)
- **Knock fists together:** twice right over left (1-2), then left over right (3-4)
- **Thumbs up:** left out to the left (1-2), right to the right (3-4)

Once you've got the basic pattern, you can try doing it at different speeds. (How fast can you go?) Don't forget to try it along to this song with the whole family!

## TALK ABOUT

The chorus has some fun four-syllabled rhymes (e.g. piccalilli/rockabilly).

**Talk about these, or create some of your own fun-sounding rhymes.**

## SHARE IT

Find out if your grandparents/older family or friends know the hand-jive.

Watch them do it, or teach them via video chat. **Can they recommend any other songs to try it with?**

## DID YOU KNOW?

'Piccalilli' is a great word! **Did you know, it's a kind of pickle – a chutney made of chopped vegetables, mustard and hot spices.** (It was also known as Indian pickle, or English Chow-Chow!)

**“NOBODY CARES IF YOU CAN'T DANCE WELL. JUST GET UP AND DANCE.”**  
Dave Barry

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