

Chickens and Hens

Traditional Folksong and Game

Who stole my chi - ckens and my hens,
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 stole my chi - ckens and my hens.

Tone Set	Scale	Teaching Purpose(s)
(do)re mi fa so la	Major minus <i>ti</i>	

Level 1 Reference	Song Type	CSP (Comfortable Starting Pitch)
Lesson 36	Game	C to E

Chickens and Hens – Actions

Formation: Students sit cross-legged on the floor in pairs facing each other.

Verse 1

Beat 1 Clap right hands together with your partner,

Beat 2 clap own hands,

Beat 3 clap left hands together with your partner,

Beat 4 clap own hands on each beat all through the 1st verse.

(Pat a cake).

Verse 2

Beat 1 hold left hand to left shoulder like a wing and at the same time tap under your partners wing with your right hand.,

Beat 2 clap own hands,

Beat 3 repeat beat 1 but in reverse i.e. right arm makes a wing and left arm taps under partner's wing.

Beat 4 clap own hands.

Repeat for whole verse.

Verse 3

Beat 1 hold left hand out in front of you to make a cup and at the same time use your right hand to “pretend” to take some food from your partner's cup,

Beat 2 take “food” in your right hand to your mouth and pretend to eat it,

Beat 3 repeat beat 1 but in reverse i.e. right hand makes a cup and left arm pretends to take,

Beat 4 repeat beat 2 but in reverse i.e. take “food” in your left hand to your mouth and pretend to eat it,

Repeat for whole verse.