

Dinah

Traditional American Folksong

No - one in the house but Di - nah, Di - nah.

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No - one in the house but me, I know.

5
No - one in the house but Di - nah, Di - nah,

7
play - ing on the old ban - jo.

Tone Set	Scale	Teaching Purpose(s)
(do) re mi so	do tetratonic	

Level 1 Reference	Song Type	CSP (Comfortable Starting Pitch)
Lesson 1	American folksong Game	C to F

Dinah – Actions

Traditional American Folksong, actions by Deborah Smith

Formation: Students stand in circle facing inwards. One student moves around the inside of the circle facing the other students.

“No-one in the” – tap rhythm on knees

“house but” – clap rhythm

“Dinah, Dinah” – student in middle and person they are facing clap right hands together then clap own hands then clap left hands together and clap own hand (pat-a-cake). All other students continue clapping the rhythm

Repeat above actions for each phrase.

At the end of each phrase the student in the middle takes a step to their right (will clap with 4 different students – 1 for each phrase).

At the end of the song student in middle of circle swaps places with student whose hands they just clapped.

Extension: have more than one person in the middle.