

Library Advocacy Happy Dance

Link to Pharrell Williams song Happy: <http://youtu.be/y6Sxv-sUYtM>

How to read the steps below:

- This is a song in 4/4 time, which means that there are 4 beats in a measure. We count out the song in 4s: 1, 2, 3, 4; 1, 2, 3, 4; 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . BUT because the 4s go by really quickly, I have most sections written out in 16-counts or 8-counts.
- Each section of the song has 16 measures of 4 counts. There are 10 sections to the song. Here I called them **Opening**, **Chorus**, **Saturday Night Fever**, and **Bridge**.
- In writing the steps here, I've used counts and also cues in the lyrics. Use whichever makes sense to you, or just follow along!

OPENING - starts with drum beats, then "It might seem crazy"

16 (instrumental) snap fingers to come together (walk in from sides, wherever you start)

16 (lyrics start, it might seem crazy): do the twist

16 (hot air balloon): run backwards, arms start at sides, raise up above your head

16 (with the air like I don't care): slow march forward, arms come down

ends with "baby by the way"

CHORUS - starts with "because I'm happy"

16 (because I'm happy): choir claps above your head

16 (because I'm happy): little jumps in a circle, arms straight out at sides, reverse

16 (because I'm happy): do the Carlton (sway and snap)

16 (because I'm happy): knees swing in and out, loose arms cross in and out in front
ends with "that's what you want to do"

SATURDAY NIGHT FEVER SECTION - starts with "here come bad news"

8 (here come bad news): 4 steps Saturday Night Fever walk to right

8 (instrumental): high steps and shoulder shrugs, bend low and walk backwards

8 (well give me all you got): Saturday Night Fever walk to right

8 (instrumental): high steps and shoulder shrugs bend low and walk backwards

4 (well I should probably warn you): ballroom dance alone, left hand to belly, right arm bent out, 2 steps.

4 repeat to left, right hand to belly, left arm bent out, 2 steps

4 left hand brush off right shoulder

4 right hand brush off left shoulder

4 (no offense to you): ballroom dance alone, left hand to belly, right arm bent out, 2 steps.

4 repeat to left, right hand to belly, left arm bent out, 2 steps

4 (instrumental) left hand brush off right shoulder

4 right hand brush off left shoulder

ends with "here's why"

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16 (because I'm happy): do the Carlton (sway and snap)

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ends with "that's what you want to do"

BRIDGE - starts with "bring me down"

4 sets of 16: clap on your own (clap, slap thighs, cross arms at elbows)

ends with "can't nothing bring me down, I said"

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ends with "that's what you want to do"

CHORUS (again) - starts with "because I'm happy"

16 (because I'm happy): choir claps above your head

16 (because I'm happy): little jumps in a circle, arms straight out at sides, reverse

16 (because I'm happy): do the Carlton (sway and snap)

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ends with "that's what you want to do"

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ends with "that's what you want to do"

ends with "that's what you want to do"

walk away to end

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