

KINDERPOLKA (German)

Record: Folkraft 1187x45

Formation: Form a single circle of couples, with each girl on the right of her partner as they face the center (the girl is always on the right, unless otherwise specified). Partners face each other and join hands, with arms extended to the side at shoulder height.

Note: In spite of its name, which means "children's polka," this simple little dance does not include a polka step. Children enjoy its "scolding" action.

Meas. PART I (Music A)

- 1-2 Moving to boy's left and girl's right, couples take two step-draws toward the center (step-close, step-close) and then three light stamps in place.
- 3-4 They repeat this, away from the center, starting with the boy's right and the girl's left: step-close, step-close, stamp-stamp-stamp.
- 5-8 Action of Meas 1-4 is repeated.

PART II (Music B)

- 1-4 Each child claps his own thighs once with both hands, claps his own hands together once, and claps both hands against his partner's hands three times. The count is: knees and hands and one-two-three. This entire action is repeated.
- 5-6 Each child lightly springs on the left foot in place, at the same time placing his right heel forward and shaking his right forefinger at his partner three times with a scolding motion. The action is repeated with the left heel and forefinger.
- 7-8 Each child turns to the right, in place, with four steps, faces his partner and stamps three times.