

## KINDERPOLKA ("Children's Polka") (Germany)

OPENING FORMATION: Single circle, partners facing, with hands joined. Arms extended sideward, shoulder high. PART 1: Meas. 1-2: Couples take two step-draws toward center of circle (step-close, ssep-close), and three steps in place.

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Meas. 3-4: Then two step-draws back to place and three more steps.

Meas. 5-8: Repeat all PART 1.

PART 2: Meas. 9-10: Slap thighs with both hands, clap own hands, then clap partner's hands three times.

Meas. 11-12: Repeat PART 2.

PART 3: Meas. 13-14: Place right heel forward and shake right forefinger at partner three times. Repeat, with left heel and forefinger.

Meas. 15-16: Turn about in place with four running steps, face partner and stamp three times.

KINDERPOLKA can be a good "mixer" if the boy moves forward to a new partner for each repetition of the dance. Children may enjoy jumping as they turn about, rather than running (PART 3).

