

# Teaching Culture!



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**Name of activity:** Learn culture through dance

**Type of activity:**

**Topic:** Dances and names of movements.

**Material:** Look at the dancing records on internet, special dictionary-words, CD player, dance music record.

**Number of learners:** You can do that in any class with more than 5 and less than 20 participants in culturally mixed classes

**Language level:** A 2

**Time:** 20 min. for to learn dance

**Goal:**

- At the end of the activity, the learners will learn new words,
- know the necessary vocabulary,
- improve on-line learning possibilities,
- show appreciated parts of their own culture and increase their knowledge and understanding of the other cultures
- the group will draw profit from this exercise

**Possible challenges:** People do not want or can't dance in pairs.

**Preparation:** Teacher supposes to learn dance steps and to be able to show them, to explain them.

a) At the beginning let's learn some wals step. Always right leg goes forward and left backwards. One two three...

b) Second part of dancing class: to teach to turn around wals. When you want to turn around, you must do a smaller step and turn your left shoulder to the right. And keep thinking: rights goes forward, left goes afterwards. One, two, three.

c) This is beginning of the dance but you will teach it afterwards students already tried to dance wals and already tried to turn around it. I mean when students already can dance second part of the dance, then you teach first part of the dance. So, in this clip you can see what man does in a first part of dance. Woman is standing in front of him.

d) This is again first part of the dance. You can see what both partners do and also hear some music.

e) Part one is danced twice. Afterward dancers dance wals and makes some turns around. Also this part is repeated twice.

Records on internet are ready <http://www.vimeo.com/user=indreces>

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