

Holding Hands Around the World Ribbon Wands

Use this fun ribbon wands movement pattern with actions for each line as you review this song in primary!

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How to Play:

- Both Junior and Senior primary children will enjoy trying this ribbon wands pattern! This activity is a great way to incorporate movement as you teach this new hymn in primary.
- Although some adults may be familiar with this song, it will likely be new to your primary children. Use these simple ribbon wand actions to help you remember the lyrics and keep everyone engaged during singing time!
- Before passing out ribbon wands, sing through the first verse of Holding Hands Around the World.
- Then, take out one ribbon wand and make a big circle, like you are drawing the earth. Sing or say the first line. Then, shake your ribbon wand high in the air as you sing the second line: "Happy voices ringing..."
- By now, you are sure to have everyone's attention. Pass out the ribbon wands and have the kids repeat the first two lines with you.
- Tape the ribbon wands pattern on the board. Can anyone guess which movement is next? Yes! Let's draw a big smiley face with our ribbons. Shake up and down quickly 3 times for the last line – "Standing tall / walking strong / choosing right."
- Repeat these 4 actions for the remaining lines of the verse, then introduce the 5 actions for the chorus. Try all the actions together as you sing!

Ribbon Wands Verse Pattern: Repeat 2X

- Big Circle – Line 1 / Line 5
- Shake High – Line 2 / Line 6
- Smiley Face – Line 3 / Line 7
- Up/Down 3X Fast – Line 4 / Line 8

Ribbon Wands Chorus Pattern:

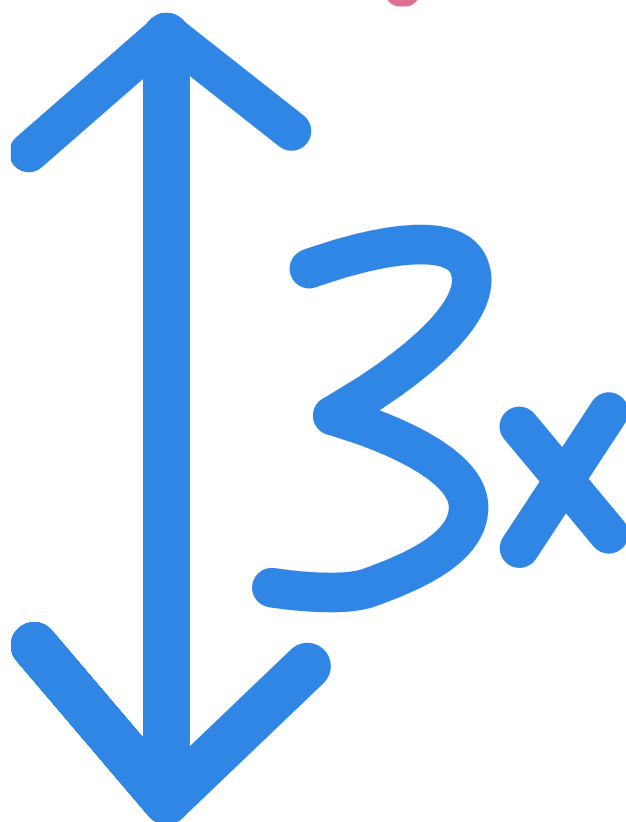
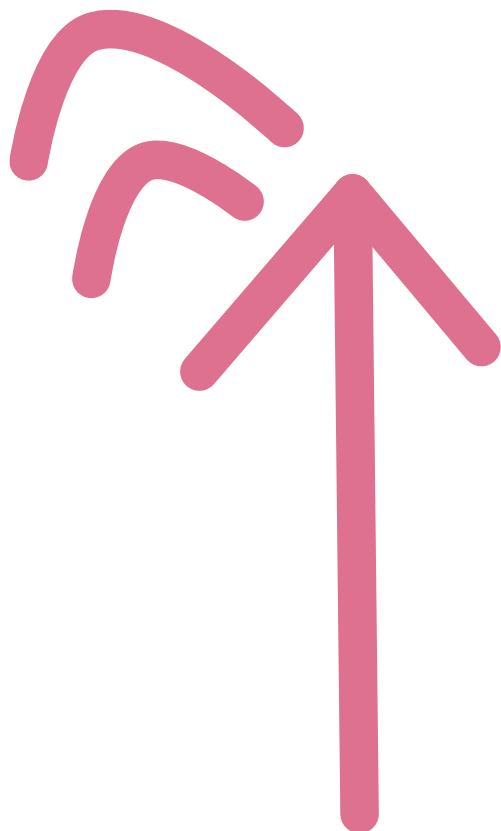
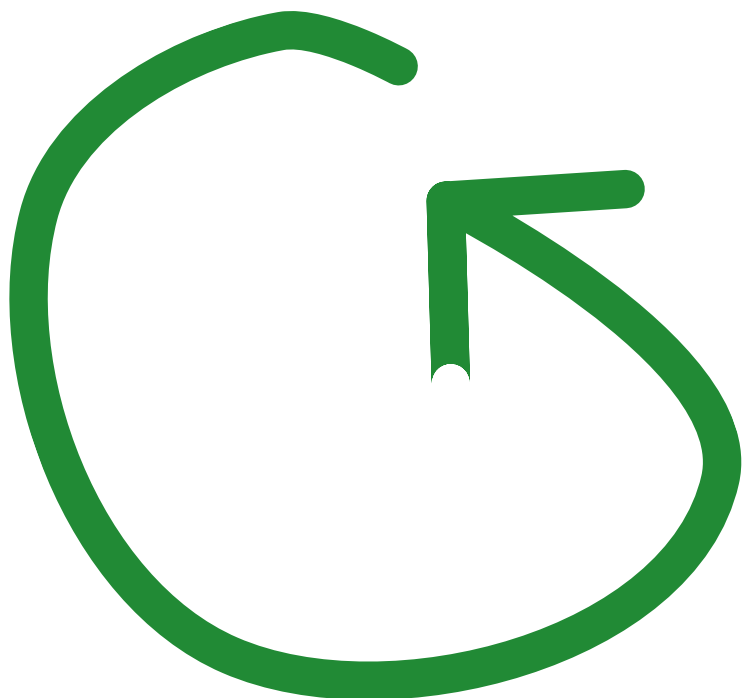
- Side to Side – Line 1
- Flag – Line 2
- Hold Up High – Line 3
- Heart – Line 4
- Castle – Line 5

Extension Activities:

- Have one side of the room sing and do all the verse actions, and have the other side do the chorus actions. Then, switch.
- Bring in some more manipulatives and take turns trying the pattern with something different. Dance scarves, finger lights, or even rhythmic instruments would be so fun!
- Try the pattern silently while listening to the song. It will be so tricky not to sing along, but it's a fun way to mix things up!

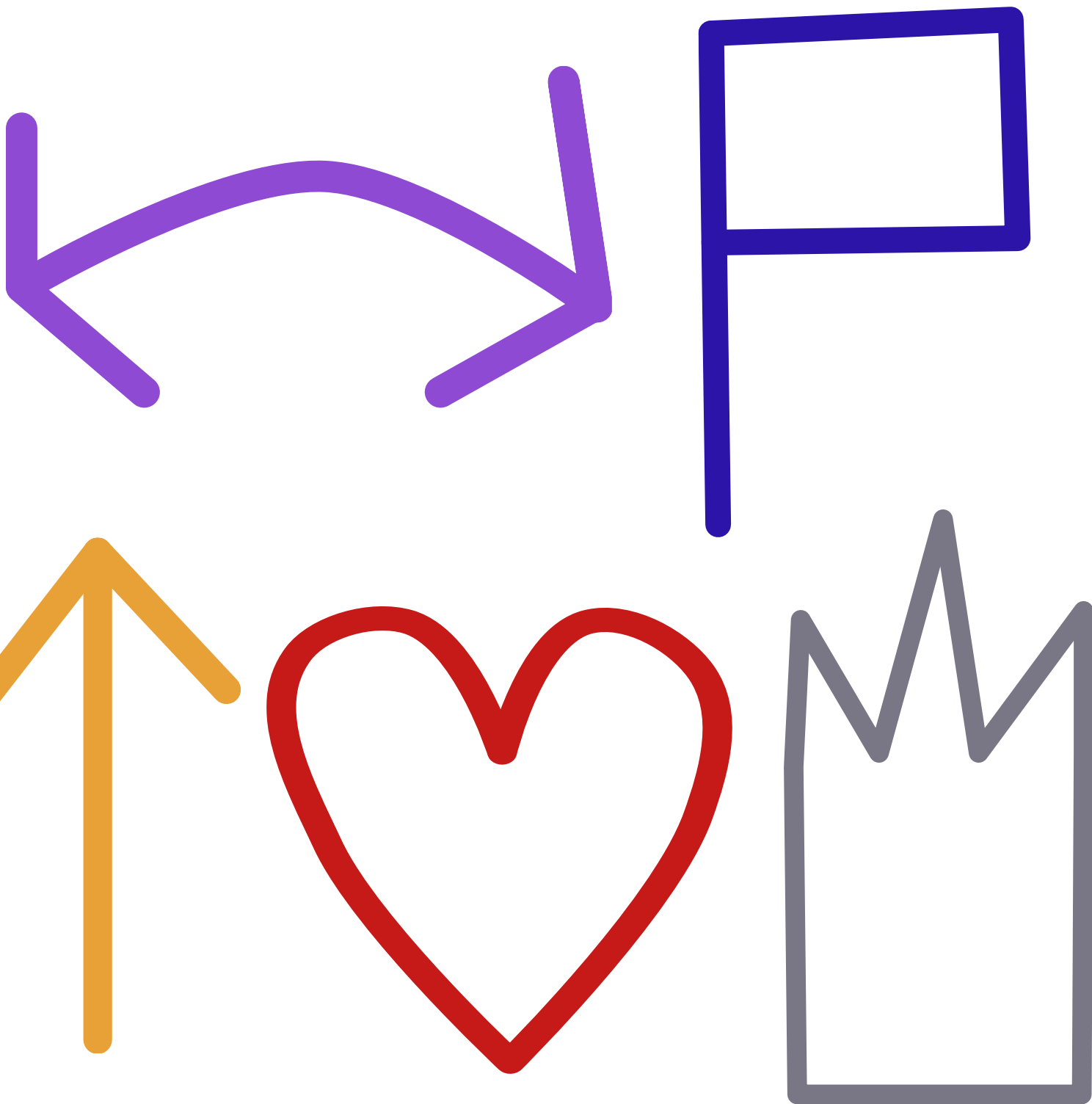
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Verse 1: Repeat all 4 actions 2X



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Chorus





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