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Clap It Back: The Echo Game

Circle group

A beat is a pulse in music. You can clap a beat. Play this game with a friend.

One friend claps a short beat. Clap, clap, clap-clap! The other friend listens. Then the friend claps it back.

Now switch. Make the beat a bit longer. Each beat you clap back is an echo.

Questions

1. What do you clap in this game?

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2. What does the other friend do first?

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3. What does the friend do next?

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4. What is each beat you clap back called?

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5. Why must you listen well?

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Words to know

beat: a steady pulse in music
echo: a sound that comes back again
listens: pays attention to sounds with your ears
clap: to hit your hands together

Talk together (every group has these)

1. Find one fact that every group read. How did your sheet say it?
2. What did your sheet tell you that you think another group's did not? Ask them.
3. What is one question about this topic that none of the sheets answered?

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Clap It Back: The Echo Game

Triangle group

A beat is a pulse in music. You can clap a beat. Here is a game to play with a friend.

One friend claps a short beat. Clap, clap, clap-clap! The other friend listens. Then the friend claps it back, just the same.

Now switch. Make the beat a bit longer. Listen well. Every beat you clap back is an echo.

Questions

1. What do you clap in this game?

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2. What does the other friend do first?

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3. What do you do after the friend listens?

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4. What do you call each beat you clap back?

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5. Why is listening important in this game?

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Words to know

beat: a steady pulse in music
echo: a sound that comes back again
listens: pays attention to sounds with your ears
clap: to hit your hands together

Talk together (every group has these)

1. Find one fact that every group read. How did your sheet say it?
2. What did your sheet tell you that you think another group's did not? Ask them.
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Clap It Back: The Echo Game

Square group

A beat is the steady pulse you hear in music, and you can make one just by clapping. Here is a game you can play with a friend.

One friend claps out a short beat: clap, clap, clap-clap! The other friend listens carefully and then claps the very same beat back.

After that, you switch places and make the beat a little longer. Each beat that you clap back is called an echo, so pay close attention to what you hear.

Questions

1. What do the players clap in this game?

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2. What does the second friend do before clapping?

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3. What does the second friend do after listening?

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4. What is each beat that you clap back called?

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5. Why do the players need to pay close attention?

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Words to know

beat: a steady pulse in music
echo: a sound that comes back again
listens: pays attention to sounds with your ears
clap: to hit your hands together

Talk together (every group has these)

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3. What is one question about this topic that none of the sheets answered?

For the teacher: Clap It Back: The Echo Game

Each student sheet carries a shape, not a level. The same topic and facts, written three ways.

Circle: Clap It Back: The Echo Game

Easier · 54 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -0.6

1. A short beat.
2. Listens.
3. Claps the beat back.
4. An echo.
5. You have to hear the beat to copy it.

Triangle: Clap It Back: The Echo Game

This passage · 62 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -0.1

1. A short beat.
2. Listens.
3. You clap the beat back, just the same.
4. An echo.
5. You must hear the beat to copy it the same.

Square: Clap It Back: The Echo Game

Harder · 82 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 3.8

1. A short beat.
2. Listens carefully.
3. Claps the very same beat back.
4. An echo.
5. They must hear the beat clearly to copy it exactly.