

WORKING MAN BLUES

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Count: 48

Wall: 2

Level: intermediate

Choreographer: Irene Groundwater

Music: Working Man Blues by Ricky Van Shelton

FORWARD, FORWARD, FORWARD, HEEL-FORWARD, FORWARD, FORWARD, FORWARD, HEEL-FORWARD

- 1-2-3** Right forward, left forward, right forward
- 4** Dig left heel diagonal. Forward to left snapping fingers in front of shoulders and throwing head back
- 5-6-7** Left forward, right forward, left forward
- 8** Dig right heel diagonal. Forward to right snapping fingers in front of shoulder and throwing head back

DIAGONAL FORWARD, TAP TOE BEHIND, DIAGONAL BACK, TAP HEEL IN FRONT

- 9** Right diagonal. Forward bending body at waist and swinging arms to left side of body
- 10** Tap left toe behind right
- 11** Left diagonal. Back straightening body and swinging arms over left shoulder
- 12** Tap right heel in front of left

This action should resemble a person digging with a shovel.

Optional: make steps 10 & 12 holds

SIDE, TOGETHER, SIDE, TOUCH

- 13-14** Side step right body facing front, close left to right
- 15-16** Side step left, touch left toe beside right instep

DIAGONAL FORWARD, TAP TOE BEHIND, DIAGONAL BACK, TAP HEEL IN FRONT

- 17** Left diagonal forward bending body at waist and swinging arms to right side of body
- 18** Tap right toe behind left
- 19** Right diagonal back straightening body and swinging arms over right shoulder
- 20** Tap left heel in front of right

This action should resemble a person digging with a shovel

Optional: make steps 18 & 20 holds

SIDE, TOGETHER. SIDE, TOUCH

21-22 Side step left body facing front, close right to left

23-24 Side step left, touch right toe beside left instep

SIDE, SHIMMY RIGHT FOR 2 COUNTS, TOUCH, SIDE, SHIMMY LEFT FOR 2 COUNTS, TOUCH

25-28 Side step right, shimmy shoulders for 2 counts, touch left toe beside right instep

29-32 Side step left, shimmy shoulders for 2 counts, touch right toe beside left instep

FORWARD, PIVOT 1/8 TURN RIGHT WITH TAP, FORWARD, PIVOT 1/8 TURN RIGHT WITH TAP

33 Right small step forward bending forward (action - like shoveling dirt)

34 Pivot 1/8 turn right on right ball and tap left toe beside right instep and straighten body

35 Left small step forward bending forward (action - like shoveling dirt)

36 Pivot 1/8 turn on left ball and tap right toe beside left instep and straighten body

FORWARD, PIVOT 1/8 TURN RIGHT WITH TAP, FORWARD, PIVOT 1/8 TURN RIGHT WITH TAP

37 Right small step forward bend forward (action - like shoveling dirt)

38 Pivot 1/8 turn right on right ball and tap left toe beside right instep and straighten body

39 Left small step forward bending forward (action - like shoveling dirt)

40 Pivot 1/8 turn on left ball and tap right toe beside left instep and straighten body

SIDE STEP, TAP HEEL 3 TIMES, WIPE BROW AND SHAKE RIGHT HAND RIGHT TWICE

41 Side step right dipping body and then straightening body facing diagonal. Left

42-44 Tap left heel 3 times, (wipe brow with right hand on 42, shake right hand right twice on 43 & 44)

You are wiping the sweat off the brow and shaking the moisture from your hands on the last 2 counts

SIDE STEP, TAP HEEL 3 TIMES, WIPE BROW AND SHAKE LEFT HAND LEFT TWICE

- 45** Side step left dipping body and then straightening body facing diagonal right
- 46-48** Tap right heel 3 times, (wipe brow with left hand on 46, shake left hand left twice on 47 & 48)

REPEAT

FINISH

On 7th pattern, dance ends on step 24. Raise hands above the head and wave madly (work is finished for the day).