

# Gangsta's Paradise

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**Count:** 48

**Wall:** 4

**Level:** Intermediate / Advanced

**Choreographer:** Neville Fitzgerald & Julie Harris

**Music:** Gangsta's Paradise by Coolio.

## Starts on Vocal (16 Counts)

**Walk, Walk, Step 1/2 Step, 1/2 , 1/4 , Cross, Rock Step, Cross, 1/4 , 1/2 , 1/4 Side.**

- 1-2** Walk forward Left-Right.
- 3&4** Step forward on Left, pivot 1/2 turn to Right, step forward on Left
- 5&6** Make 1/2 turn to Left stepping back on Right, 1/4 turn to Left stepping Left to Left side, cross step Right over Left.
- &7&** Rock to Left side on Left, recover on Right, cross step Left over Right.
- 8&1** Make 1/4 turn to Left stepping back on Right, 1/2 turn to Left stepping forward on Left, 1/4 turn to Left stepping Right to Right side.

## Rock & Side, Behind 1/4 1/4 , Behind 1/4 Step, Step, Full Turn.

- 2&3** Cross rock Left behind Right, recover on Right, step Left to Left side.
- 4&5** Cross step Right behind Left, make 1/4 turn to Left stepping forward Left, 1/4 turn to Left stepping Right to Right side.
- 6&7** Cross step Left behind Right, make 1/4 turn to Right stepping forward on Right, step forward Left.
- 8&1** Step forward on Right, pivot 1/2 turn to Left, make 1/2 turn to Left stepping back on Right.

## Make 1/4 Turn, Behind, 1/8, 1/8, Back, Behind 1/4, 1/4, Rock & Side.

- 2-3** Make 1/4 turn to Left stepping Left to Left side, cross step Right behind Left.
- 4&5** Make 1/8 turn to Left stepping forward diagonal Left, 1/8 turn to Left stepping Right back diagonal Right, step back on Left,
- 6&7** Step back on Right (slightly behind Left) make 1/4 turn to Left stepping forward on Left, make 1/4 turn to Left stepping Right to Right side.
- 8&1** Cross Rock Left behind Right, recover on Right, step Left to Left side.

## Turn 1/2 , Step, Step 1/2 Step, 1/2 , 1/4 , Rock & Knee Roll Step.

- 2-3** Make 1/2 turn to Right stepping forward on Right, step forward on Left.

- 4&5** Step forward on Right, pivot 1/2 turn to Left, step forward on Right.
- 6-7** Make 1/2 turn to Right stepping back on Left, 1/4 turn to Right stepping Right to Right side.
- 8&1** Cross rock Left behind Right, recover on Right, \*R\* make a small step forward & slightly out to Left side as you roll Left knee & hip out to Left.

**Knee Roll Step, Step, Sailor 3/4 Cross, Rock & Kick Cross, Coaster Step.**

- 2-3** Make a small step forward & slightly out to Right side as you roll Right knee & hip out to Right, step slightly back on Left pushing your butt out & chest slightly forward.
- 4&5** Cross step Right behind Left making 1/4 turn to Right, make 1/4 turn to Right stepping Left next to Right, 1/4 turn to Right cross stepping Right over Left.
- 6&7&** Rock to Left side on Left, recover Right, kick Left forward, cross/lock Left over Right.
- 8&1** Step back on Right, step Left next to Right, step forward on Right.

**Step, 1/2 Pivot, 1/2, 1/2, Step, Mambo Step, Sailor 1/4 Turn.**

- 2-3** Step forward on Left, pivot 1/2 turn to Right.
- 4&5** Make 1/2 turn to Right stepping back on Left, 1/2 turn to Right stepping forward on Right, step forward on Left.
- 6&7** Rock forward on Right, recover on Left, step back on Right.
- 8&1** Cross step Left behind Right making 1/4 turn to Left, step Right next to Left, step forward on Left (1st step of dance)

**\*R\* Restarts:**

**Wall 2 & Wall 5.. Dance up to Count 8& in Section 4 (32&) The Restart dance from beginning.**

**Finish dance facing front.. Dance up to mambo.. Take a big step back on mambo then drag Left to Right**