

# American Child

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**Count:** 96

**Wall:** 2

**Level:** Intermediate / Advanced

**Choreographer:** Karen Jennings & Jennifer Hughes

**Music:** American Child by Phil Vassar (CD: American Child)

## **Intro: 24 counts after drum beats**

### **BACK, SWEEP, HOLD, RIGHT SAILOR WALTZ, BACK, SWEEP, HOLD, BEHIND, SIDE, CROSS**

- 1-6** Step left back, sweep right toe to right, hold, cross right behind left, step left to side, step right to side
- 1-6** Step left back, sweep right toe to right, hold, cross right behind left, step left to side, cross right over left

### **SIDE, DRAG, HOLD, 1 ¼ TURN RIGHT, FORWARD WALTZ, BACK, TOUCH, TURN**

- 1-6** Step left to side, drag right toe towards left, hold, turning 450 degrees right stepping right, left, right (3:00)
- 1-6** Waltz forward step left, right, left, step right back, touch left toe back, turn ¼ left and step down on left (12:00)

### **RIGHT CROSS WALTZ, LEFT CROSS WALTZ, CROSS, ¼, ½, FORWARD WALTZ**

- 1-6** Traveling forward cross waltz right over left, traveling forward cross waltz left over right
- 1-6** Cross right over left, turn ¼ right and step left back, turn ½ right and step right forward, waltz forward left, right, left (9:00)

### **BACK, DRAG, HOLD, BACK, DRAG, HOLD, TOUCH, TURN, STEP SIDE, CROSS WALTZ**

- 1-6** Step right back, drag left towards right, hold, step left back, drag right towards left, hold
- 1-6** Touch right toe back, turn ½ turn right (weight on left), step right to side, cross waltz left over right

### **CROSS, HOOK, HOLD, BACK, HOOK, HOLD, CROSS, ¼, STEP, CROSS WALTZ**

- 1-6** Cross right over left, hook left behind right knee, hold, step left back, hook right under left knee, hold
- 1-6** Cross right over left, turn ¼ right and step left to side, step right together, cross waltz left over right (6:00)

## **CROSS, HOOK, HOLD, BACK, HOOK, HOLD, CROSS, ¼, STEP, CROSS, SIDE, BEHIND**

- 1-6** Cross right over left, hook left behind right knee, hold, step left back, hook right under left knee, hold
- 1-6** Cross right over left, turn ¼ right and step left to side, step right together, cross left over right, step right to side, cross left behind right (9:00)

## **SIDE, DRAG, HOLD, 1 ¼ TURN LEFT, STEP, POINT, HOLD, LEFT SAILOR WALTZ**

- 1-6** Step right to side, drag left to right, hold, turning 450 degrees left stepping left, right, left
- 1-6** Step right forward, touch left to side, hold, cross left behind right, step right to side, step left to side (6:00)

## **BACK, HOOK, HOLD, FULL TURN FORWARD, WALTZ FORWARD, BACK, DRAG, STEP**

- 1-6** Step right back, hook left under right knee, hold, full turn forward over left stepping left, right, left
- 1-6** Waltz forward stepping right, left, right, step left back, drag right towards left, step right together

## **REPEAT**

### **TAG 1: After wall 2**

## **BACK LEFT COASTER, STEP, PIVOT, DROP, STEP, PIVOT, DROP, FORWARD RIGHT COASTER**

- 1-6** Step left back, step right together, step left forward, step right forward, pivot ½ turn left (raise heels), drop weight on left
- 1-6** Step right forward, pivot ½ turn left(raise heels), drop weight on left, step right forward, step left together, step right back

### **TAG 2: After wall 3, add the 12 count Tag 1 & 3 counts (15 count tag)**

- 1-3** Step left back, drag right towards left, step right together

## **FINISH: On wall 5, dance to count 48, then turn ¼ turn left, step right forward**