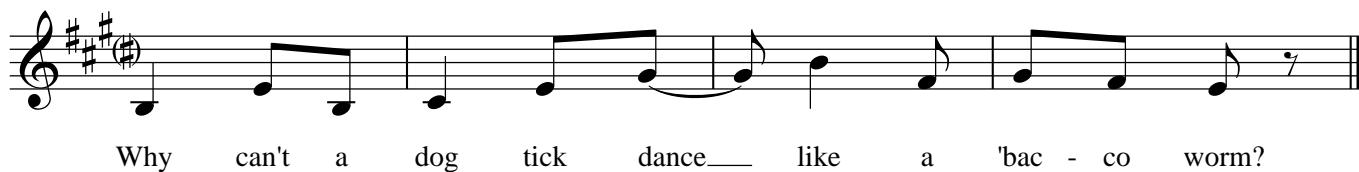


Dog Tick

Informant/Performer:
Ray Wood
New Orleans, LA, 1937

Source:
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Alternate Text:

- Solo:* Dog tick, dog tick, dog tick biting me.
Group: Don't care, don't care, can't get out of here.
Solo: Red ant, black ant, big ant biting me.
Group: Don't care, don't care, can't get out of here.
- Solo:* Bumble bee, bumble bee, bumble bee stinging me.
Group: Don't care, don't care, can't get out of here.
Solo: Grandma, grandma, grandma calling me
Group: Don't care, don't care, can't get out of here.

Alternate text and game from Dorothy Christensen, Richmond, CA, 1979.

Game Directions

Form a circle and join hands tightly around a center player. Center player sings first line while trying to break out of the circle. Group answers with "Don't care" etc.

When center player finally breaks through in a weak spot the two members of the circle where they player broke through chase and catch him. The one who catches him becomes the next center player.