5 Step Music Activities

MUSIC FROWN AROUND THE WORLD

Teaching children music from different countries helps develop cultural awareness and explore the different elements that make these genres unique.

Three Little Birds - Bob
Marley (Jamaica)
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encompasses the optimistic
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Jump In The Line - Harry Belafontaine (Trinidad)

Jump In The Line is an upbeat song about letting go and having fun. It contains multiple rhythms, a feature of **Calypso** music

Achy Breaky Heart - Billy Ray Cyrus (USA) Achy Breaky Heart is a line-dancing song with a simple strong 4/4 beat. Line dancing is simple and can be learnt via Youtube tutorial



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The Lion Sleeps
Tonight - Mbube (South Africa) There are many fun kid-friendly versions of this highly rhythmic song, with a catchy repetitive chorus





La Bamba - Ritchie Valens
(Mexico) This Mexican Folk
song can also be accompanied
by a dance, and can help pupils
learn Spanish words.

*Note - If teaching these songs via Youtube, look at versions that have "lower key" to fit the pitch of your pupils.