

Simon Says Action Cards by KidsPrintAndPlay

Music & Rhythm — Ages 4 to 8

Rhythm and music prompts for listening and timing.

How to play

How to play: Leader keeps a steady beat. Players do the rhythm action on the beat. No printed Simon says; leader may speak it before the beat.

Space and body safety

Space and body safety: Keep stomps and claps gentle, stay in your space, and use soft hands and feet to protect neighbors.

Theme guidance: Music & Rhythm focuses on timing, not volume. Keep sounds at a kind level and use seated options if standing is tiring.

Non-elimination scoring — first to 10

Score: Non-elimination. Earn one point for each correct action. Individual or group completes a round at 10 points. Tap the score on your knees.

Score tracker — 10 points to finish (use for one player or the whole group)

1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10

Color or check one box per correct action. First to 10 completes a round.

Theme variation

Variation — Echo Beat: Leader does a four-beat pattern; players echo it exactly.

Optional classic elimination (optional)

Optional classic elimination: Optional one-turn pause for a wrong move, not default.

Printing tips: US Letter or A4, grayscale, low-ink. Cut along dashed lines for 18 cards. Laminate if you like for reuse.

Music & Rhythm — Cards 1 to 6

Cut on dashed lines. Each card has a simple line icon and clear action text.

1



Clap a steady beat for eight counts

2



Tap knees to a slow rhythm

3



Hum a short melody and sway gently

4



Stomp then clap then stomp in pattern

5



Drum on your legs with fingertips

6



March to a beat and freeze when it stops

Cut cards apart. Keep space between players. Use seated or wall-support options where printed.

Music & Rhythm — Cards 7 to 12

Cut on dashed lines. Each card has a simple line icon and clear action text.



7

Shake pretend maracas in each hand



8

Tap shoulders left right left right steadily



9

Whistle or hum a single note and hold it



10

Conduct music with big arm waves



11

Snap fingers softly if you can or tap instead



12

Play air piano with light fingers

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Music & Rhythm — Cards 13 to 18

Cut on dashed lines. Each card has a simple line icon and clear action text.

13



Strum a pretend guitar for four strums

14



Beat a drum loudly then softly

15



Clap above head then below knees in rhythm

16



Step side to side to the beat for six steps

17



Tap a pattern and ask a partner to copy with permission
— solo option: tap and echo yourself

18



Bow like a musician and take a breath

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