Dance Mimesis Project

Made by Grover Hogan for Allison Rubin’s Dance Class at Barton Open School

Hi!

I have created a short dance on the app TikTok that has taken inspiration from other dances like Hayley Sharpe’s Say So Dance, Jalaiah Harmon’s Renegade, and Keke Janajah’s Savage Dance.

Here are the examples:

1. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yjZfuIME7vc>

Keke Janajah, Video, 2020, Savage Dance Tutorial (Savage by Megan Thee Stallion, 2020)

1. <https://www.tiktok.com/@yodelinghaley/video/6774888255801396486>

Hayley Sharpe, Video, 2019, Say So Dance Tutorial (Say So by Doja Cat, 2019)*.*

1. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rdff8hycRo8>

Jalaiah Harmon. Video, 2020, Renegade Dance Tutorial (Lottery (Renegade) by K CAMP, 2019)

I’m asking you to **copy the dance I did, but set it to whatever song you like**! When listening to the music you chose, think about facial expressions, speed, tempo, additional dance moves you want to add, and how they relate to the song.

**Here is my TikTok page with all the videos**: <http://tiny.cc/grovertutorial>

**Or search my account @teachinggrover on TikTok**

**Here is a breakdown of the dance:**

* roll
* bow and arrow
* one arm up, one arm up
* step/ swing
* cross arms (2x)
* butterfly
* one hand out, one hand out
* one arm up, one arm up
* step/swing
* cross arms (1x)

**Uploading**

Here are your options:

* Create a TikTok and upload it there
* Upload your video to YouTube
* Send your video in an email to your teacher

In all of these options, you can choose to either make the videos public for the world to see, or private so only you and those you send it to can see it! You can also turn off comments if you wish. But remember, things you post to the internet will be there forever whether they’re intentionally posted for the public or not!

Also! **Make sure to tag your video with #CopyCatDanceChallenge** so we can see each other’s dances (if you wish!)

**Critique**

I encourage everyone to leave positive and constructive comments on each other’s videos! For Example:

**Positive:** Grover, I like that you added an extra dance move to the end of the song because it adds flair!

**Constructive:** I think you could work more on your facial expressions!

When critiquing, you could mix these two methods to make a very thorough critique. Try to leave a comment on at least two other people’s videos.

If you don’t want any comments, you can turn off your comment section in TikTok right before you upload!

**Some Notes!!**

* TikTok is an app for people 12 and up, make sure to talk to your guardian’s about downloading the app if you are younger or have concerns about online safety
* This is just for fun! Don’t worry too much about how refined it is, the more you enjoy yourself the better it will turn out (trust me, it was hard for me to upload until I let loose)
* Try out effects, filters, jump cuts, funny songs, funny costumes, or even having other people join you (safely of course!) Play around with your options!

I hope y’all enjoy this lesson! Dancing has brought a lot of joy for me these past few weeks, I hope it can do the same for you- I’m excited to see what y’all come up with ☺