

INDIAN DANCE - Prayer for Rain
(American)
WHICH INDIAN?

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RECORD: Folkraft #1192 B (1)
FORMATION: Single circle facing the center.
STARTING POSITION: Arms folded in front of chest.
MUSIC: 4/4 Meter

Measures

PART I.

- 1-4 BOW FOUR TIMES. Bend forward, extending arms outward and upward (cts. 1,2). Return to starting position with arms folded (cts 3,4). ENTIRE PATTERN DONE FOUR TIMES.
- 5-6 FOUR WALKING STEPS FORWARD toward center. Raise arms gradually upward while advancing toward center. Finish with arms and head lifted upward.
- 7-8 FOUR WALKING STEPS BACKWARD away from center. Lower arms gradually while moving backward, finishing with arms folded.
- 9-12 RAISE ARMS UPWARD FOUR TIMES. Raise arms upward, lifting head and looking up (cts 1, 2). Lower arms to chest with fists clenched (cts 3,4). ENTIRE PATTERN DONE FOUR TIMES.
- 13-16 TURN TO RIGHT, in small circle, with EIGHT *TOE-HEEL STEPS.

PART II.

Music A
(repeated)

- 1-4 "SIGHT" into distance for "favorable omen". FOUR TIMES. Step to Right with Right foot, placing right hand over eyes (cts 1,2). Replace Right foot and bring hand down (cts 3,4). REPEAT PATTERN - left - right - left.
- 5-8 "LISTEN" FOUR TIMES. Repeat pattern of Measures 1-4, cupping hand to ear.
- 9-12 TURN TO RIGHT, in small circle, with EIGHT TOE-HEEL STEPS.
- 13-16 TURN TO LEFT, in small circle, with EIGHT TOE-HEEL STEPS.

PART III.

- 1 JUMP LANDING IN SQUAT POSITION (cts 1,2). RETURN TO STANDING POSITION (cts 3,4).
- 2 GIVE INDIAN CALL THREE TIMES
- 3-4 Repeat pattern of Measures 1-2.

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- 5-6 FOUR TOE-HEEL STEPS FORWARD toward center, raising arms upward.
- 7-8 FOUR TOE-HEEL STEPS BACKWARD to place, lowering arms.
- 9-16 Repeat pattern of Measures 1-8. Finish facing center
 with arms folded in front of chest.

* TOE-HEEL STEP: Step on ball of foot (ct. 1), lower heel (ct. 2).