

Old Dan Tucker

A section

Musical notation for the A section of 'Old Dan Tucker'. It consists of two staves of music in 4/4 time, G major. The melody is: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4-A4 (beamed eighth notes), G4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (half).

Old Dan Tuck-er was a might - y man. He washed his face in a fry - ing pan.

Musical notation for the second line of the A section. The melody continues: D4 (quarter), C4 (quarter), B3 (quarter), A3 (quarter), G3 (quarter), F#3 (quarter), E3 (quarter), D3 (quarter), C3 (half).

Combed his hair with a wa - gon wheel. Had a tooth-ache in his heel. So

B section

Musical notation for the B section of 'Old Dan Tucker'. It consists of two staves of music in 4/4 time, G major. The melody is: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4-A4 (beamed eighth notes), G4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (half).

git out the way, Old Dan Tuck-er Git out the way, Old Dan Tuck - er.

Musical notation for the second line of the B section. The melody continues: D4 (quarter), C4 (quarter), B3 (quarter), A3 (quarter), G3 (quarter), F#3 (quarter), E3 (quarter), D3 (quarter), C3 (half).

Git out the way, Old Dan Tuck-er. You're too late to git your sup-per!

Motions:

1. Hold arms up and "show off muscles."
2. Hold both hands in front of face, palms toward face. Make circles in opposite directions (one hand goes one way; the other hand goes the other way) in front of face as if "washing."
3. Pretend to comb hair
4. Point to tooth (two times to the beat); Point to heel (two times to the beat).
5. Hold hand near chest, palm toward chest. On "git" move forearm away from body as if shooing something away. Repeat for all the "gits."
6. Point to imaginary watch on wrist (two times to the beat); pretend to lift a fork to mouth.

Manners:

This song is a wonderful time to discuss how to speak to people properly. "Git out the way" isn't the most pleasant way to ask someone to move. The children love to sing, "Git out the way" very loudly and then insert "please" in a whisper or high-pitched voice before singing "Old Dan Tucker."