



LESSON 3

CANON AND UNISON

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-I-SE6Q9Le0>

Above is the link to one of Miss Butterworth's favourite dance videos showing brilliant use of canon and unison.

Watch the video and answer the questions below.

- 1) What is canon?
- 2) What is unison?
- 3) Can you spot moments when the dancers switch from dancing in canon to unison?
- 4) Would the dance have been as effective with only 4 dancers?
- 5) Can you think of any times in your dance lessons at school where we have used canon and unison?

ACTIVE

Create a very short dance movement like a jump, turn, stamp, arm gesture. Teach your movement to all the people in your home. Stand side by side or one behind the other and repeat the movement one at a time (like a Mexican wave). You have just performed a movement in canon.

Ask each member of your family to create a simple dance move. Learn each other's movement and put them in an order. You will now have a short routine. Make sure you all know the routine. Choose someone to count you all in saying 5,6,7,8 and perform the routine at the same time all together. You have just performed a routine in unison.