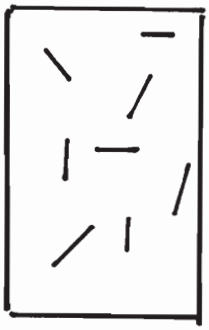
THE YELLOW BUS
(Netherlands)

Dutch name is De autobus. Dance was composed by Femke van Doorn; music by Hans Peters.

Dutch pronunciation:

Music: Nevofoon LP 15024. 4/4 meter . Side 1, band 4.

Formation: In a hall a number of "bus stops" are marked with chalk lines or jumping ropes. Around the "bus stops" are streets. The children are divided in little groups of 5-8 children that are standing in a line at the "bus stop." Together they represent a bus and the first of the line is the driver. There are busses number 1 and number 2.



Action

The busses are driving in time with the music: Busses No. 1 on the A-music, No. 2 on the B-music. The driver may pick his own way, but is responsible to have the whole bus at a stop when his phrase of music is at the end. Though not holding to each other, the "passengers" must try to keep the bus together. In the beginning they will only be able to do so when using a walking step. Later on they may try skipping step, which enables them to travel a greater distance, but they may find it more difficult to keep together.

After the 3rd time of the music, there is an interlude music of four meas, to change drivers. The "bus stops" can be used on both sides.

Words of song:

Riding, riding, riding in the yellow bus,
Driver, driver, driver, here's my dime;
Riding, riding, riding in the yellow bus,
Oh, driver, please let me get off in time!

Presented by Femke van Doorn