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**General Music**

**Focus:** Square dance while you sing to *Turkey in the Straw.*

**Pass Objectives:**

1.1 Identify the elements of music: melody, rhythm, harmony, form, tone color, pitch, tempo, & dynamics.

1.2 Recognize basic rhythm patterns by using rhythm syllables, half note, whole note patterns and the corresponding rests.

1.3 Recognize basic features of familiar and unfamiliar songs.

2.2 Sing and perform action songs, singing games and dances.

**Supplies:** Visit your school library and/or public library for copies of *Turkey in the Straw* by Hazen and Sneed. Find the lyrics for *Turkey in the Straw.* Practice the lyrics using the *I Hear America Singing!: Folk Songs for American Families.* This book has the chords and lyrics.

Ask your school librarian to collaborate with the music teacher on singing and dancing to the music.

Read the book and identify the parts that a square dance caller would sing.

**For Example:**

Come on, little doggie, with a do-si-do. (Who is the doggie? What is a do-si-do?)
Shake a leg, promenade, and away we go. (What is a promenade?)
Down to the berry patch do-si-do.
Swing your partner and away you go.