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HE CAN DANCE THE SALSA



...AND THE SAMBA







AND HE  
REPLIES,

MY  
FAVOURITE  
DANCE  
STYLE IS...





# FREESTYLE

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## SALSA

The Cuban salsa is famous for its shimmies, shakes and hip wriggles.

## POLKA

The lively polka was first danced by the people of Poland, Germany and Eastern Europe in the mid-1800s.



## TANGO

The tango was first danced by the cowboys of Argentina in the 1890s.



## FOXTROT

The super-smooth foxtrot is one of the most sophisticated and elegant dances.



## CHA-CHA

The cheeky Cuban cha-cha gets its name from the sound of the dancer's feet brushing the floor on each beat.

## TAP DANCE

Toe-tapping, finger-snapping tap is the ultimate jazz dance!



## SAMBA

With its fancy costumes and fun steps the Brazilian samba is a favourite at street festivals.



## MAMBO

The high-energy mambo is a mixture of Caribbean dances from the 1940s.



## SWING

Popular in the 1940s and 1950s, swing dances include the lindy hop, the jitterbug and the boogie woogie.

## CHARLESTON

The charleston became popular in America in the 1920's era of jazz music and flappers.



## JIVE

The super-fast jive, with its jumps and kicks, started in the clubs of America in the 1930s.



## TWO-STEP

The Texas two-step is one of the most popular country dances in America.

