

NEW VICTORY DANCE MOMENTS OF CREATIVITY

This chapter includes Creativity Pages that engage kids in the art form of dance on their own terms, challenging them to create their own dance routines, design their own dance troupe posters and more!



DANCE BECOMES YOU

Dancers create works of art that are often personal, telling a story that is filled with layers of emotion. If you could create a unique dance that tells the story of who you truly are, what would it look like? What kind of attitude or tone would it have? What kind of music would you use? What would you want to express about your true self? On the lines at the bottom of the page, write or draw thoughts and emotions that come to mind. These words will inspire your dance! Then, in the four squares on the page, illustrate your dance sequence from beginning to end. Once you've finished, get up on your feet and bring your unique dance to life!

The form consists of four large, empty squares arranged in a 2x2 grid. Each square is outlined with a dark blue border. Purple triangular corner tabs are placed at the top-left of the first square, the bottom-right of the second square, the top-right of the third square, and the bottom-right of the fourth square. Below the squares are three horizontal lines for writing.

NAME YOUR TROUPE

Imagine you and your closest friends are a famous dance troupe and you're about to go on a world tour. Use the spaces below to name your troupe and design your very own dance show poster!

A white rectangular area with a slanted top-left corner, intended for writing the name of the dance troupe.A large white rectangular area intended for designing a dance show poster.

THE DANCE MACHINE

In NEW VICTORY Dance, each individual performer possesses and shows off their most awesome, unique talents. What talents do you have? Take the quiz below to find out if you're a busker, a classically trained ballet dancer, a hip-hop artist or a freestyle wiz!

1. If you could dance in any space, what would it be?
 - a. On a subway train
 - b. In a Zoom meet-up
 - c. Ariana Grande's next music video
2. You have the chance to compete on "World of Dance", so you:
 - a. Choreograph a lyrical dance, accompanied by guitar
 - b. Put together a ballet number from the classic *The Nutcracker*
 - c. Create an original number inspired by social or political issues
3. Which color most represents your unique personality?
 - a. Hot pink
 - b. Sky blue
 - c. Forest green
4. What type of music do you enjoy the most?
 - a. Hip-hop
 - b. EDM
 - c. Classical
5. From the list below, choose your favorite time of day.
 - a. Morning, it's a fresh new day
 - b. Twilight, the day is winding down
 - c. Midnight, 'cause you're a night owl
6. If you were performing and noticed a sad audience member, what would you do?
 - a. Bring them up on stage and improvise a dance for them
 - b. Do the splits to impress them
 - c. Fake a fall to make them laugh
7. What makes you happiest?
 - a. Making people smile
 - b. Creating funny videos on TikTok
 - c. Learning a new skill
8. You're on stage with your dance partner and something is about to go terribly wrong! What do you do?
 - a. Stop in your tracks
 - b. Improvise a brand new dance move to distract the audience, saving your partner from embarrassment
 - c. Run away from it and hope it solves itself

Add up your points and see what type of dance performer you are!

Legend:

A's = 6 points each

B's = 4 points each

C's = 2 points each

1 - 16 Points = You're a jack of all trades! You've got all the moves, and you know how to entertain an audience!

16-28 Points = You're a classically trained ballet dancer! You know the foundations of dance well, but you can do most anything you put your mind to.

28-40 Points = You're a hip-hop artist! You've got fantastic moves and you know how to level up!

40-48 Points = You're a freestyle wiz! WOW, you have abilities beyond comprehension! People will do backflips when they see YOU in action!

THE DANCER'S COSTUME SHOP

If you were tasked with designing your own unique dance costume for a show, what approach would you take? Put on your designer hat and use the space below to draw your costume rendering! Think about the functional needs of your costume, the era(s) or style(s) that would inspire your design, the type of material or fabric your costume would be made of and what type(s) of designs would be featured. Most importantly, think of the ways your costume showcases who you are. Draw your unique costume below!

