

Vive La Compagnie



A rousing song that brings both languages of Canada together, AND sings of people uniting in community.

accordian

Canada, folksong, social studies

CanDo 1

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a cappella count-in: 1--2--1--2-Let

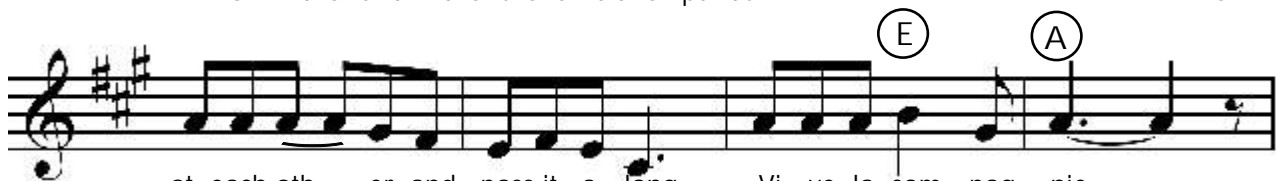
Vive La Compagnie Vive L'Amour



folksong
18th century
arr: LJ Clare



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love and com-mun-i-ty let us un-ite.
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Join in making community sing with this mixture of French and English in a folksong from long before Canada was born.

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CanDo 2

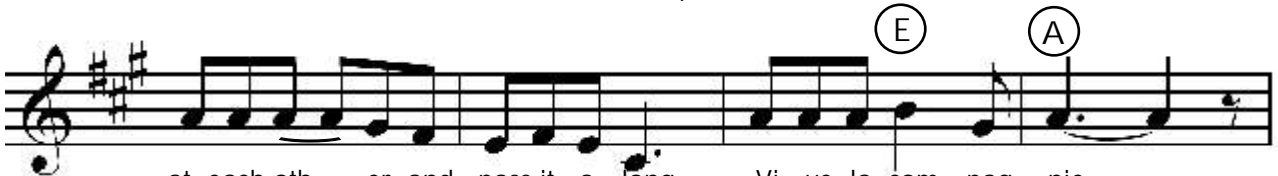
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(D) (E) (A)

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(Bm) (A)

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B New Song: Vive L'Amour!

- 1 "Valentine's Day celebrates love. Listen carefully for the kind of love this song is about. While I sing(we listen), I will be clapping on some of the words --join with me, but keep watching to stop where I stop." (Sing/play the song, clapping on the strong beats everywhere French is sung.)
- 2 "What kind of love is in this song?" (love between friends) "Yes, between friends. It's a good song for Canada because some of the words are English, and some of the words are French, and in Canada we try to be friends with people who speak many different languages. 'Vive L'amour!' means 'long live love.' Try it: (vive l'amour) 'Vive la vie' means 'live with joy in life.' Try it. (vive la vie)
- 3 Put the words on the pocket chart. Point out the chorus and say the words slowly, with students echoing. Ask students to listen as you sing the verse, and join in the chorus. Be sure to sing the repeat on the chorus. Afterwards "There is something on this music that shows us we need to sing the chorus twice. These two lines with two dots are called repeat signs --they're like bookends. We repeat the part between them.
- 4 "Ready to sing the whole song ---here we go ..."
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8 Vivace

verse 1
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Smile at each other and pass it along
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chorus

Vi -ve la, vi-ve la Vi-ve l' amour Vi -ve la, vi-ve la Vi-ve l' vie!
Da-da-da Da-da-da Da-da-da Da-da-da

Vi-ve l' amour! Vi-ve la vie! Vi-ve la com -pa -gnie.
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repeat signs

verse 2
A friend on the left and a friend on the right
Vive la compagnie
In love and community let us unite
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chorus
Vi -ve la, vi-ve la Vi-ve l' amour...

verse 3
Now wider and wider the circle expands
Vive la compagnie
We sing to each other in far away lands
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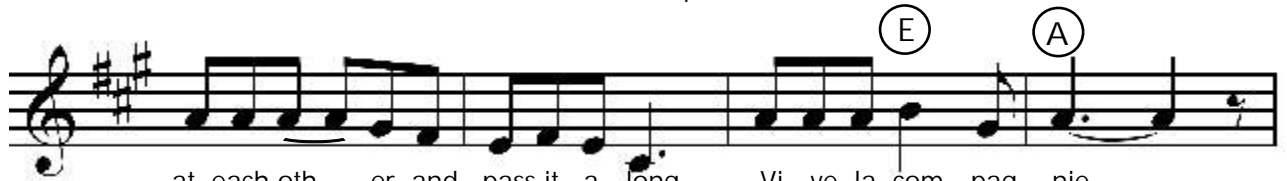
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FOURTH

Week

One

Lesson

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