

A GIRL WENT WALKING *Waltz*

A social dance from the Śląsk region

Grades: 2 – adult

Formation: Partners hold inside hands in a double circle. “Girl” is on the outside circle. “Boy” is on the inside circle. Travel CCW (counterclockwise). Optional: closed social dance position.



SONG	MOVEMENTS
Gently skipping, flowers picking,	Partners swing inside hands while walking forward. Both start with outside foot.
to the woods she came,	“Girl” crosses over in front of “Boy” to inside of double circle. “Boy” leads her with R hand.
to the woods she came,	“Girl” returns to outside of double circle. “Boy” leads her with L hand.
to the woods she came.	Both partners make full turn away from each other.
There a hunter was a’ lurking,	Partners swing inside hands while walking forward. Both start with outside foot.
waiting for his game,	“Girl” crosses over in front of “Boy” to inside of double circle. “Boy” leads her with R hand.
waiting for his game,	“Girl” returns to outside of double circle. “Boy” leads her with L hand.
waiting for his game.	All dancers join hands to make one big circle.
<i>Refrain:</i>	
La, la, la, la. Meas. 33-36	All Circle Left (walk)
La, la, la, la. Meas. 37-40	All Circle Right (walk)
La, la, la, la. Meas. 41-44	All walk toward center.
La, la, la, la. Meas. 45-48	All walk back out of center to starting position.
Repeat for next verse	

Tips

The designations “Girl” and “Boy” are optional. You can do the above dance with partner “1” and partner “2”. As a social dance any simple waltz figures are appropriate. You can make up your own. To make the dance more challenging:

Use a turning waltz step in closed social dance position instead of walking with partner. In Measures 45-48, find a new partner for each repeat of the dance.