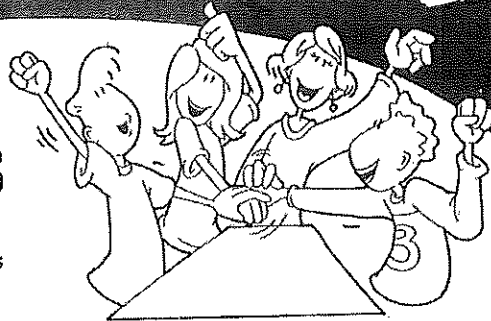


Team Cheers



Instructions. Teach students these fun team cheers to celebrate class and team successes.

Alaska Hurray. Students (Eskimos) wrap their arms around themselves as if they are freezing cold and shiver out, "Brrrrrrr ...," then they complete the cheer by saying, "... illiant," throwing their arms in the air.

Brain Kiss. Students kiss the fingers on their open right hands and transfer the kiss to their brains by tapping their foreheads with the kissed hand. They finish the kiss with a flair by throwing the kissed hand in the air.

Cheese Cheer. Students (chefs) hold a block of cheese in one hand and a cheese grater in the other. They slide the cheese against their graters five times while they say, "Grate, grate, grate, grate, grate job!"

Excellent. Students make an X in front of their chests with their arms twice as they say, "Excellent. Excellent."

Fantastic. Students squirt window cleaning agent in a circle on an imaginary pane of glass. They wipe the cleaner off in a circular motion with their open palms as they say, "Faaaaantastic!"

Fireworks. Students push their palms together in front of their chests and raise their palms above their heads, imitating a firework shooting into the sky, complete with a "whoooooosh" sound. When the firework reaches its highest point of ascent, they clap their hands above their heads, snap their fingers, and wiggle their facedown fingers as they slowly lower their hands.

Golfer's Clap. Students (the golf gallery) clap just the index fingers of their hands together making a very quiet clap.

Ketchup Applause. Students (diners) hold an imaginary bottle of ketchup upside down in a closed right fist. With their left hand, they pat the bottom of the bottle to help the ketchup come out. Each pat makes a deep clapping sound.

Raise the Roof. Students (party people) place their hands in the air with their palms facing upward, and they pump the roof upward three times with a "whoooo, whoooo, whoooo" noise.

Rodeo Roundup. Students (cowpokes) twirl their lassos over their heads, cast it around an imaginary calf, and pull it in all the while saying, "Weeeeee, got it!"

Roller Coaster. Students place both hands in front of their chests, palms down. They make a roller coaster climbing noise, "Chhh, chhh, chhh" as their roller coaster hands climb the track skyward. When the roller coaster reaches the top, they quickly lower both hands down, then back up like a roller coaster descending and climbing back up again. During descent, some prefer to make a "weeee" sound as if riding the roller coaster, while others prefer a whooshing sound like the roller coaster makes.

Round of Applause. Students clap their hands, making a giant round circle in front of themselves.

Seal of Approval. Students (seals) clap their flippers in front of their chests while they bark out a seal-sounding, "Great, great, great, great."

Silent Applause. Students make a clapping motion, but stop just short of actually clapping.

Sparkles. Students wave their hands in front of them as they snap the fingers on both hands for about ten snaps.

Truck Driver. Students (truckers) put their hands on the steering wheel of their pretend big rigs. They reach their left hand up and pull the cord of their air horns and let out two throaty honking roars, "honk, honk!" Then they reach up with their right hand for their walkie talkies and speak into them, "Chhhshhhh. Good job, good buddy. Chhhshhhh."

Two Snaps and a Clap. Students snap the fingers on both hands twice and clap once.

Western Wahoo. Students (cowpokes) drum out the sound of horse hoofs on their desks. Then they take off their hats and wave them in the air with a "Yeehaw!"