

**Handwash Hoedown**

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[snoring]

[door creaks]

[whispering]: OK, the coast is clear.

[music]

[crowd cheering and shouting]

>> CALLER:



Howdy folks, and welcome  
to Handwash Hoedown Hall.  
A place to dance with just your hands,  
you don't need boots at all.

To do-si-do without any toes  
is such a sight to see.  
It just takes 20 seconds,  
so follow 'long with me.

Rub the soap into your palms,  
then go and scrub the backs.  
Interlock your fingers,  
it's too early to relax.

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and clean under your nails.  
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it's a move that never fails.

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>> HAND 1: Gee, that sounds like a lot of steps. I mean, what's so important about washing your hands with soap anyway?

>> CALLER:



The soap we use can help reduce  
the germs livin' on our skin  
by linkin' up with water  
and those nasty pathogens.

Just get one pump, yeah that's enough.  
Soon it'll be a lock.  
Now gather up a lather,  
20 seconds, start the clock!

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>> HAND 2: Ok, soap helps get rid of germs, big deal. What does any of this have to do with those farm animals out there?

>> CALLER: I'm glad you asked!



You'd think it's ick if they got sick  
from germs you brought inbound,

but it gets worse because it works  
the other way around.  
If you touch their swill, you might grow ill  
when you rub your mouth or eyes,  
'specially if you find yourself immunocompromised.



>> HAND 3: "Immunocompromised"...What's that?

>> CALLER: You see, everybody has an immune system.

It's a complex network inside your body that helps fight off infections and other diseases.  
Someone who's immunocompromised has a weak immune system, so they have an even  
greater chance of gettin' sick.

>> HAND 3: Wow, we wouldn't want that. So, when do hands need to be washed the most?

>> CALLER:



It would be wise to sanitize  
your hands before you eat,  
and before and after pettin'  
all the animals you meet.

If you're not a pro, just take it slow.  
It's a habit you should learn.  
So follow 'long and join the song.  
That's right, now it's your turn!

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[banjo music]

>> CHICKEN [confused]: Bawk?

>> PIG: Chicken, go back to sleep. And turn down that music, would ya?

[Chicken squawking]

[sigh]

[yawn]

>> ALL:



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