Scratching Out a Living



Count: 32 Wall: 4 Level: Beginner

Choreographer: Erin Hipskind - March 2025

Music: Scratching Out A Living - Emily Ann Roberts



Intro: Start on Lyrics

[1-8] HEELS SWIVEL OUT x2*, VINE RIGHT,

| 1 - 2 | R Heel swivels right, L Heel swivels left simultaneously, bring back together |
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| 3 - 4 | R Heel swivels right, L Heel swivels left simultaneously, bring back together |

5 - 6 Step RF to the right, step LF behind RF7 - 8 Step RF to the right, tap LF next to RF

[9 - 16] FWD STEP, BACK STEP, VINE LEFT**

| 1 - 2 | Step LF forward, tap RF next to LF |
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| 3 - 4 | Step RF back, tap LF next to RF |
| 5 - 6 | Step LF to the left, step RF behind LF |
| 7 - 8 | Step LF to the left, tap RF next to LF |

[17 - 24] R HITCH BACK, L HITCH BACK, 1/4 MONTEREY TURN

| 1 - 2 | Hitch R Knee up and circle back, step back with RF |
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| 3 - 4 | Hitch L Knee up and circle back, step LF together with RF |
| 5 - 6 | Point R Toe to right side, turn 1/4 right stepping RF beside LF |
| 7 - 8 | Point L Toe to left side, step left beside right |

[25 - 32] JAZZBOX, WALK FORWARD

| 1 - 2 | Cross RF over LF, step back with LF |
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| 3 - 4 | Step RF to right side, step LF beside right |
| 5 - 6 | Step forward with RF, step forward with LF |
| 7 - 8 | Step forward with RF, step LF slightly forward of RF |

REPEAT

NO TAGS OR RESTARTS

MODIFICATIONS

- * If you do not have slick boots/shoes on or are not on a slick surface, instead of kicking both heels out at the same time you can kick the R Heel out & in on 1 2 and then the L Heel out & in on 3 4
- ** On Walls 2, 4, & 8 (when Emily Ann sings "Scratching out a living") I like to substitute the VINE LEFT with HEEL & TOE SWIVELS LEFT
- 5 6 Swivel R Heel & L Heel together to the left, Swivel R Toe & L Toe together to the left
- 7 8 Repeat

Thanks for checking out my dance! I hope you enjoy it and Emily Ann's song as much as I do! :)