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If you’re happy and you know it, clap your hands!
If you’re happy and you know it, clap your hands!
If you’re happy and you know it,
then your face will surely show it
If you’re happy and you know it clap your hands.
(Repeat with: Stomp Feet and Shout Hooray)

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the more we get together, the happier we’ll be.
Because your friends are my friends,
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