

Applause

Big Hand

Leader says, "let's give them a big hand" everybody in the audience holds up one of their hands with the palm up.

Big Thumb

Hold out a hand at arms length, make a fist with the thumb up. Variation: Add, "GREAT JOB!!"

Can of Applause

Cheer and applaud as cover is removed from can and become quiet as lid is replaced.

Constitution Cheer

We the people, APPROVE!

Cookie Clap

Everyone takes a big bowl in their arms. In bowl, dump ingredients to make cookies, such as: flour, sugar, salt, chocolate chips and dill pickles (have the boys tell out the ingredients and you'll get some odd cookies). After the ingredients are in the bowl, you take a big spoon and with stirring motion yell "Crummy, Crummy, Crummy".

Fonz

Make a fist thumbs pointing up with each hand in front of you and say "Aaaaaayyyy."

George Washington Cheer

I cannot tell a lie. That was great.

Grand

Everyone is sitting down in their chairs. All stomp their feet three times loudly, then slap leg three times, then clap hands 3 times. Then stand up all together and shout "Ra, Ra, Ra!"

Great Job

Have one half of the audience say, "Great" and the other half say, "Going." Alternate each side.

Heart and Sole

Slap heart and sole of shoe.

Handkerchief

Tell the group that they are supposed to applaud as long as the handkerchief you are about to throw in the air, when it hits the floor to stop applauding. Variation: Catch the handkerchief instead of letting it drop. Vary the applauding by using short throws, long throws, throwing to someone in the audience etc.

Great Job

Group stands and cheers, "Great job! Great JOB! GREAT JOB!" Getting louder each time.

Real Big Hand

Make a fist with the thumb extended, put thumb to lips and pretend to blow, open hand and extend fingers gradually with each puff. Hold up hand when fully extended.

Relay

First person in row claps next person's hand and so on down to the end of the row.

Reverse Applause

Move hands away from each other.

Round of Applause

While clapping hands, move them around in a circle in front of you.

Seal of Approval

Put your thumbs in your armpits, then move arms up and down like a seal moving its flippers and say "Arf, Arf, Arf" several times. Variation: Add: Pretend you are balancing a ball on the end of your nose.

Silent Yell

Raise both fists to level with hand and shout without any sound while shaking both fists. Or else have everyone stand in unison and open their mouths and scream without making any sound.

Three Strikes

Turn head to the side sharply while saying, "Strike!" Do these three times and end with, "You're out!"

Tiger

Shout, "Grrreat! Thrust fist upward Tony Tiger style.

Big Hand (For a 'Ho Hum' Skit)

The cheer leader says: "Alright ! Let's give that skit a Big Hand.
Upon which, everybody silently holds one hand, palm open, up in the air.

Bravo (For an excellent performance)

The cheer leader says: That deserves a Bravo ! We'll do this in a circle.
He then proceeds to have one end of the circle start with the 'BRR' sound and proceeds to point around the circle while they do the 'AVOOOO' sound. The sound level should rise as more of the circle comes in.

Bravo (For an excellent performance)

The cheer leader says: That deserves a real cheer. Give me a 'B'
(and the group responds with a resounding 'B'),
give me an 'R', etc. When all letters have been called,
"What have you got ?" (response to all: BRAVO !)

Buffalo Bonzo (For a 'corny' skit)

Bonzo
Buffalo bonzo
Buffalo buffalo bonzo
Cuckoo, cuckoo, cuckoo !

Bury it (When a skit has been seen too often)

Cheer leader: I think we had better bury that skit. Alright, everybody stand up and dig a big hole with your shovel
(suitable grunting sounds and shoveling actions),
now throw the skit into the hole (thump)
and cover it up (more shoveling and grunting),
now, jump on it to keep it in there. (Everybody jumps up and down three times.)

Clam Cheer (For an 'O.K.' to poor skit)

The cheer leader says: O.K., do you know the sound a clam makes ? Alright then, put your hands together at the wrist and hold them

away up in the air like this (demonstrates).

Now, move your hands together like a clam shell. (Everybody moves curved hands open and closed five times.)

Thank you.

For Goodness Sake (For a really corny skit)

Cheer Leader: Give me an OFER !

Circle: OFER !

Cheer Leader: Give me an OFER !

Circle: OFER !

Cheer Leader: Give me an OFER !

Circle: OFER !

Cheer leader: What have we got ?

Circle: OH FER GOODNESS SAKE !

For the Birds (For a 'dumb' skit)

Cheer Leader: That calls for a High Flying Cheer. Was it a ONE ?

Circle: NO !

Cheer Leader: Was it a TWO ?

Circle: NO !

Cheer Leader: Was it a THREE ?

Circle: NO !

Cheer Leader: Was it a FOUR ?

Circle: YES ! FOR THE BIRDS !

Good Heavens (For an unusual skit)

The Cheer Leader says: Let's give this something really GOOD. Repeat after me.

Cheer Leader: Good.

Circle: Good.

Cheer Leader: Good

Circle: Good

Cheer Leader: Good Heavens ! What next ??

Circle: Good Heavens ! What next ??

Bird Watcher Cheer

Stand. Tuck hands under armpits, flap 3 times while doing the sound of your favorite bird.

The Lone Range Applause

Where does the Lone Ranger take his garbage?

To de dump, to de dump, to de dump, dump, dump...

Relay Applause

Start at one side, have each row slap the hand of the person next to them, so on down the line.

Round of Applause

You clap your hands while holding your arms straight and moving your hands around in a wide circular motion.

Match Applause... Pretend to light a match on the seat of your pants, say Yeeoooooooooww!!

Hanky approval... Drop hanky, applause only while hanky is in the air
Supersonic... Silently wave arms, open mouth as if cheering... wait several moments, then yell loudly...

Round of applause... Clap in a circle

Give a big hand... Hold up hand

Ketchup bottle... slap back of other hand

Politician applause... pat your self on the back

Seal of approval... put elbows together, clap, and Arf Arf Arf

Canned Laughter... Laugh when lid is removed from a can, and stop when lid is closed.

Flea Clap... Applaud by clicking the nails of the thumb and finger together.

Slow Motion Applause... Cheer and applaud in slow motion.