5. Happy Birthday U.S.A.
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Bring out the red white and blue
It's the Fourth of July
Happy Birthday U.S.A.
The congress declared this day
A special holiday
Happy Birthday U.S.A.

In seventeen seventy six
The thirteen colonies
Declared their independence
And a nation was born!

Light up the barbeque
We'll have a picnic in the park
Happy Birthday U.S.A.
Come throw and catch the
Frisbee It's the perfect day to play
Happy Birthday U.S.A.
(8 bar instrumental)

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The thirteen colonies
Declared their independence
And a nation was born!

And when the sun goes down
We'll see some fireworks Happy
Birthday U.S.A.
Bright colors bursting high
Up in the starry sky
Happy Birthday U.S.A.
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On July 4, 1776, we claimed our independence from Britain and our nation was born. Independence Day is commonly associated with fireworks, parades, barbecues, picnics, concerts, and ceremonies. Parades are often in the morning, while fireworks displays occur in the evening at such places as parks, fairgrounds, or town squares.

Sing the instant-sing line, "Happy Birthday U.S.A." each time it occurs in this song.
You can also create motions you can do as you sing. Here are some possibilities:

Verse 1: Imagine you are in a parade and march in rhythm with the music.
You can march in place or in a circle.
Verse 2: Clap your hands 2 times after lines 1 and 2.
Take 8 steps on the beat with lines 3 and 4 then clap quickly 5 times.
Verse 3: Pantomime eating something made on a barbeque, then playing with a Frisbee.

Dixieland Instrumental

Interlude: Free dance!
Repeat Verse 2
Verse 3: Jump up and down throwing arms out and exploding like fireworks in the sky.

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