

Dance Development

Plan a dance with your group to communicate the four main ideas in the Chinese myth of the zodiac animals. You can use all or some of the example actions or sequences on the **Actions or Sequences Sheet** in your group's dance.

Think about working together to include one series of actions in unison (same actions at the same time) and one series of actions in canon (same actions one after the other).

Part of the Myth	Your Group's Action or Sequence
The animals argue about who the year should be named after. They wake up the Jade Emperor.	
The animals assemble for the race. They start to swim.	
The rat climbs up the ox and leaps on to the bank, winning the race.	
The animals are placed in order as they finish.	