

# Cool & Corny Sing-Alongs

The official audience participation "Sing-Along" of your favorite classic movie may be headed to a theater near you, but that doesn't mean you can't turn your place into your personal karaoke bar and host the unofficial version. The best part is that you don't have to look further than the DVD racks for inspiration, there's an iconic musical for every party crowd.

## THINGS YOU'LL NEED:

The Movie!  
(Original Or Special Sing-along Release)

Printed Lyrics Of The Songs In The Movie

Props For Audience Participation

Things To Eat And Things To Drink

Before picking your movie, catalog the props and food you might already have on hand and choose the party that fits best. Expand the party to-do list only with what's manageable. Here are a few titles to make you burst into song:

**Grease**  
**Mary Poppins**  
**High School Musical(s)**  
**West Side Story**  
**Mamma Mia**  
**Hairspray**

**Dreamgirls**  
**The Sound of Music**  
**Evita**  
**Moulin Rouge**  
**The Little Mermaid**

Print out the lyrics to the songs by googling [Song Lyrics](#), along with the movie title. Invite guests to arrive in costume for a look-a-like contest and parade of the movie's characters. Get creative. Example: in the case of *The Sound of Music*, what about inviting your guests to dress as their interpretation of their favorite things?

Load the movie-watching area with props for audience participation. Watch the movie to get ideas about what to include.

## HERE ARE SOME IDEAS:

**Grease:** bubbles to blow during *Beauty School Dropout*, pom poms for the pep rally scene, and combs to mimic each time the Thunderbirds comb their hair.

**Hairspray:** Big hair wigs, cans of hairspray, practical jokes, candy corn to eat every time *The Corny Collins Show* sign flashes.

**The Sound of Music:** Fake white flowers to wave during "Edelweiss," question mark cards to hold up when the nuns ask, "How do you solve a problem like Maria?" and party poppers for when Maria and Captain Von Trapp finally kiss.

**Moulin Rouge:** Fake mustaches, batons, tissue, chocolate, fake jewelry.

**High School Musical:** Ummmm, I think this one should be a dance along!



## **Audience Participation**

Encourage hissing when the Nazis appear in *The Sound Of Music*, or when Velma von Tussle (Michelle Pfeiffer's character) hits the screen in *Hairspray*. For every villain, there's an original form of disapproving noise.

## **Let Your Choice Of Food And Drink Be Inspired By The Movie**

Crisp apple strudel and schnitzel with noodles for *The Sound Of Music*; teen junk food favorites for *High School Musical* (a cake featuring a huge E for the ambitious); pink snow balls and TV dinners for *Hairspray*; French fries and champagne for *Moulin Rouge*; carnival food for *Grease*.

## **Make It A Tradition To Host A Sing-a-long Every Year**

Add to your stash of participation props when you come across something that fits the theme—the holidays are ripe for this kind of get-together, kids love to help dole out the participation elements!