

# How Long

Count: 144

Wall: 1

Level: Phrased Advanced

Choreographer: Carlton Thompson (USA) - October 2017

Music: How Long - Charlie Puth



Sequence: A | B | C | A | B | C | C | D | D | B-Section 9 (Only) | TAG | B | B | B

## Part A – Verse – 64 counts

### Section A1:

- 1&a2 Hold, Step R ft. 45 degrees forward to the right, quick-step L ft. behind R ft., Ball-Step R ft. 45 degrees forward to the right.
- 3&a4 Hold, Step L ft. 45 degree forward to the left, quick-step R ft. behind L ft., Ball-Step L ft. 45 degrees forward to the left.
- 5-6 Cross R ft. over L ft., Step L ft. back.
- 7-8 Step R ft. to right side, Step L ft. forward

### Section A2:

- 1&2& Cross R ft. over L ft., Step L ft. to left side, Cross R ft. behind L ft., Step L ft. to left side.
- 3&4& Cross R ft. over L ft., Step L ft. to left side, Cross R ft. behind L ft., Step L ft. to left side.
- 5&6& Touch R toe in, Step R ft. down, Touch L toe in, Step L ft. down.
- 7&8& Touch R heel forward, Step R ft. down, Touch L heel forward, Step L ft. down.

### Section A3:

- 1&a2 Hold, Step R ft. 45 degrees forward to the right, quick-step L ft. behind R ft., Ball-Step R ft. 45 degrees forward to the right.
- 3&a4 Hold, Step L ft. 45 degree forward to the left, quick-step R ft. behind L ft., Ball-Step L ft. 45 degrees forward to the left.
- 5-6 Cross R ft. over L ft., Step L ft. back.
- 7-8 Step R ft. to right side, Step L ft. forward

### Section A4:

- 1&2& Step R ft. to right side, Cross L ft. behind R ft., Step R ft. to right side, Cross L ft. over R ft.
- 3&4& Step R ft. to right side, Cross L ft. behind R ft., Step R ft. to right side, Cross L ft. over R ft.
- 5&6& Touch R toe in, Step R ft. down, Touch L toe in, Step L ft. down.
- 7&8& Touch R heel forward, Step R ft. down, Touch L heel forward, Step L ft. down.

### Section A5:

- 1-2 Cross R ft. over L ft., Make  $\frac{1}{4}$  turn right leading with L ft. stepping back. (3:00)
- 3&4 Step R ft. back, Step L ft. back, Step R ft. forward.
- 5-6 Make  $\frac{1}{4}$  turn pivot left leading with L ft., Make  $\frac{1}{4}$  turn pivot left by stepping R ft. to right side (your left leg will swing around at the same time). (9:00)
- 7&8 Step L ft. back, Step R ft. back, Step L ft. forward.

### Section A6:

- 1-2 Step R ft. forward, Step L ft. forward
- 3&4 Step R ft. forward, Lock-Step L ft. behind R ft., Step R ft. forward.
- 5-6 Make a pivot  $\frac{1}{2}$  turn right by leading forward on L ft., Make a pivot  $\frac{1}{2}$  turn right leading with R ft.
- 7&8 Step L ft. forward, Lock-Step R ft. behind L ft., Step L ft. forward.

### Section A7:

- 1-2 Step R ft. back, Drag L ft. next to R ft.
- 3-4 Step L ft. back, Drag R ft., next to L ft.

- 5-6 Make ½ turn right by leading with R ft., (9:00) Drag L ft. next to R ft.  
 7-8 Step L ft. forward, Drag R ft. next to L ft.

#### **Section A8:**

- 1-2 Step R ft. forward, Make a ¼ turn right by leading with your L ft. dragging behind R ft. (6:00)  
 3-4 Make ¼ turn right by leading with L ft. back (9:00), Make ¼ turn right by leading with your R ft. dragging in front of L ft. (12:00)  
 5-6 Ball-Step R ft. to right side (Weight is still on L ft.), Hold.  
 7-8 Sway body to the right, Sway body to the left.

#### **Part B – Chorus – 32 counts**

##### **Section B9**

##### **Facing 45 degrees to the right, make the following steps**

- 1-2 Step R ft. forward and pop your L heel up, Step L ft. forward and pop your R heel up. (2:00)  
 3-4 Step R ft. forward and pop your L heel up, Step L ft. forward and pop your R heel up. (2:00)  
 5-6 Mambo Step R ft. forward, Recover back on L ft.  
 7-8& Mambo Step R ft. back, Rock-step L ft. back, Recover forward on R ft.

##### **Section B10:**

- 1-2& Make ¼ turn left by crossing L ft. over R ft., Rock R ft. to right side, Recover forward on L ft.  
 3-4& Cross R ft. over L ft., Rock L ft. back, Recover forward on R ft.  
 5-6& Cross L ft. over R ft., Lift right knee up and swing R ft. to right side, Swing R ft. to the left.  
 ("6&" Optional Step: Point R ft. to right side, Point R ft. forward)  
 7-8 Step R ft. forward, Step L ft. forward (10:00)

##### **Section B11:**

- 1-2 Step pivot ½ left leading with R ft., Step L ft. forward. (4:00)  
 3-4 Step R ft. forward, Step L ft. forward.  
 5-6 Mambo Step R ft. forward, Recover back on L ft.  
 7-8& Mambo Step R ft. back, Rock-step L ft. back, Recover forward on R ft.

##### **Section B12:**

- 1-2& Cross L ft. over R ft., Rock R ft. back, Recover forward on L ft.  
 3-4& Cross R ft. over L ft., Rock L ft. back, Recover forward on R ft.  
 5-6& Cross L ft. over R ft., Lift right knee up and swing R ft. to right side, Swing R ft. to the left.  
 (12:00)  
 7-8 Step R ft. forward, Step L ft. forward (12:00)

#### **Part C – 16 counts**

##### **Section C13:**

- 1-2 Rock R ft. forward, Recover back on L ft.  
 3&4 1 full turn right by making three steps – R, L, R.  
 5-6 Rock L ft. forward, Recover back on R ft.  
 7&8 1 full turn left by making three steps – L, R, L.

##### **Section C14:**

- 1-2 Rock R ft. forward, Recover back on L ft.  
 3&4 1 full turn right by making three steps – R, L, R.  
 5-6 Cross L ft. over R ft., Step R ft. back.  
 7-8 Step L ft. to left side, Toe-Touch R ft. next to L ft.

#### **Part D – Interlude (Same Steps as Part A, Section 7 and 8) 32 counts**

##### **Section D15:**

- 1-2 Make ¼ turn right by stepping R ft. back (9:00), Drag L ft. next to R ft.  
 3-4 Step L ft. back, Drag R ft., next to L ft.  
 5-6 Make ½ turn right by leading with R ft., (3:00) Drag L ft. next to R ft.

7-8 Step L ft. forward, Drag R ft. next to L ft.

**Section D16:**

1-2 Step R ft. forward, Make a ¼ turn right by leading with your L ft. dragging behind R ft. (6:00)  
3-4 Make ¼ turn right by leading with L ft. back (9:00), Make ¼ turn right by leading with your R ft. dragging in front of L ft. (12:00)  
5-6 Ball-Step R ft. to right side (Weight is still on L ft.), Hold.  
7-8 Sway body to the right, Sway body to the left.

**Section D17:**

1-2 Step R ft. back, Drag L ft. next to R ft.  
3-4 Step L ft. back, Drag R ft., next to L ft.  
5-6 Make ½ turn right by leading with R ft., (3:00) Drag L ft. next to R ft.  
7-8 Step L ft. forward, Drag R ft. next to L ft.

**Section D18:**

1-2 Step R ft. forward, Make a ¼ turn right by leading with your L ft. dragging behind R ft. (12:00)  
3-4 Make ¼ turn right by leading with L ft. back (3:00), Make ¼ turn right by leading with your R ft. dragging in front of L ft. (6:00)  
5-6 Ball-Step R ft. to right side (Weight is still on L ft.), Hold.  
7-8 Sway body to the right, Sway body to the left.

**Note: After Part D, you will start again on Part B (Chorus) by Cross-Stepping R ft. over L ft. to face 2:00 (2:00)**

**TAG:**

1-2 (Keep weight on R ft.) Sway body, Sway Body  
3-4& Sway body, Rock-step L ft. back, Recover forward on R ft.

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