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## Patriotic Songs

### ***Star Spangled Banner***

Oh, say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,  
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming?  
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro' the perilous fight,  
O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming.  
And the rockets red glare, the bombs bursting in air,  
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there.  
Oh, say, does that Star-Spangled Banner yet wave  
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

### ***God, Bless America***

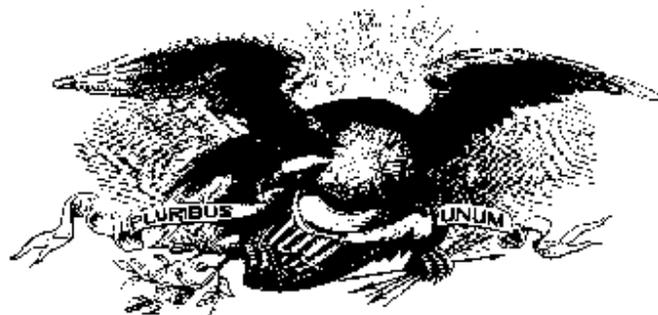
*While the storm clouds gather far across the sea,  
Let us swear allegiance to a land that's free,  
Let us all be grateful for a land so fair,  
As we raise our voices in a solemn prayer:*

God bless America, land that I love.  
Stand beside her, and guide her  
Through the night with a light from above.  
From the mountains, to the prairies,  
To the oceans, white with foam  
God bless America, my home sweet home.  
God bless America, my home sweet home.

### ***America***

My country 'tis of thee,  
Sweet land of liberty,  
Of thee I sing.  
Land where my fathers died!  
Land of the Pilgrims' pride!  
From every mountainside,  
Let freedom ring!

Our father's God, to Thee,  
Author of liberty,  
To Thee we sing.  
Long may our land be bright  
With freedom's holy light;  
Protect us by Thy might,  
Great God, our King!



## ***America, the Beautiful***

O beautiful for spacious skies,  
For amber waves of grain,  
For purple mountain majesties  
Above the fruited plain!  
America! America!  
God shed His grace on thee  
And crown thy good with brotherhood  
From sea to shining sea!

O beautiful for pilgrim feet  
Whose stern impassioned stress  
A thoroughfare for freedom beat  
Across the wilderness!  
America! America!  
God mend thine every flaw,  
Confirm thy soul in self-control,  
Thy liberty in law!

O beautiful for heroes proved  
In liberating strife.  
Who more than self the country loved  
And mercy more than life!  
America! America!  
May God thy gold refine  
Till all success be nobleness  
And every gain divine!

O beautiful for patriot dream  
That sees beyond the years  
Thine alabaster cities gleam  
Undimmed by human tears!  
America! America!  
God shed His grace on thee  
And crown thy good with brotherhood  
From sea to shining sea!



## ***Battle Hymn of the Republic***

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the LORD  
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored,  
He has loosed the fateful lightening of His terrible swift sword  
His truth is marching on.

Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!  
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.

I have seen Him in the watch-fires of a hundred circling camps  
They have builded Him an altar in the evening dews and damps  
I can read His righteous sentence by the dim and flaring lamps  
His day is marching on.

Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!  
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His day is marching on.



### ***You're a Grand Old Flag***

You're a grand old flag,  
You're a high-flying flag  
And forever in peace may you wave.  
You're the emblem of  
The land I love.  
The home of the free and the brave.

Ev'ry heart beats true  
'neath the Red, White and Blue,  
Where there's never a boast or brag.  
Should auld acquaintance be forgot,  
Keep your eye on the grand old flag.

### ***Texas, our Texas***

Texas, Our Texas! All hail the mighty State!  
Texas, Our Texas! So wonderful so great!  
Boldest and grandest, withstanding ev'ry test  
O Empire wide and glorious, you stand supremely blest.

#### ***CHORUS:***

God bless you Texas! And keep you brave and strong,  
That you may grow in power and worth, throughout the ages long.  
God bless you Texas! And keep you brave and strong,  
That you may grow in power and worth, throughout the ages long.

Texas, O Texas! Your freeborn single star,  
Sends out its radiance to nations near and far,  
Emblem of Freedom! It set our hearts aglow,  
With thoughts of San Jacinto and glorious Alamo.

Texas, dear Texas! From tyrant grip now free,  
Shines forth in splendor, your star of destiny!  
Mother of heroes, we come your children true,  
Proclaiming our allegiance, our faith, our love for you.



## Action Songs

### **Damper Song**

Oh you push the damper in (extend hand forward)  
And you pull the damper out (pull hand back)  
And the smoke goes up the chimney just the same (circle finger)  
Just the same (jump to the left)  
Just the same (jump to the right)  
And the smoke goes up the chimney just the same (circle finger)  
Boom, boom (move hands as a conductor)

(Repeat 7 more times, dropping words off each time but doing the motions.)

### **Froggie**

(clap and repeat)

Dog.  
Dog, cat.  
Dog, cat, mouse.  
Froggie!  
Itsy bitsy, teeny weeny little bitty froggie.  
Jump, jump, jump, little froggie.  
Spiders and flies are scrum-deli-icious.  
Froggie! (jump)



### **Grand Old Duke of York**

The Grand Old Duke of York,  
He had 10,000 men,  
He marched them up a hill (*everyone stands up*)  
And he marched them down again. (*everyone sits down*)  
When they're up, they 're up (*everyone up*)  
And when they 're down, they 're down (*everyone down*)  
And when they 're only halfway up (*everyone half up*)  
They 're neither up nor down. (*all up then all down*)

### **I Points to Mine Self**

I points to mineself, vas is das here?  
Das ist mine topnotcher, ya mama dear.  
topnotcher, topnotcher, ya mama dear  
Dat's vot I learned in der school, boom boom

(continue song using list below and repeat every item already mentioned:

sweat browser - brow  
eye winker - eye  
horn blower - nose  
soup strainer - mustache  
lunch eater - mouth  
chin chowser - chin  
rubber necker - neck  
bread basket - stomach)

## ***My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean***

My Bonnie lies over the ocean,  
My Bonnie lies over the sea.  
My Bonnie lies over the ocean.  
Oh bring back my Bonnie to me.

### ***CHORUS:***

Bring back, bring back,  
Oh bring back my Bonnie to me, to me.  
Bring back, bring back,  
Oh bring back my Bonnie to me.

Oh blow ye winds over the ocean.  
Oh blow ye winds over the sea.  
Oh blow ye winds over the ocean.  
And bring back my Bonnie to me.

The winds have blown over the ocean.  
The winds have blown over the sea.  
The winds have blown over the ocean.  
And brought back my Bonnie to me.

(Stand up on the first word that starts with a "b". Then sit down on the next "b" word and so on.  
The whole group should end the song sitting down!)

## ***Peanut Butter***

### ***CHORUS:***

Peanut, Peanut Butter. Jelly.  
Peanut, Peanut Butter. Jelly

1. First you find your peanuts and you dig 'em, you dig 'em, you dig 'em dig 'em dig 'em  
Then you smash 'em, you smash 'em, you smash 'em smash 'em smash 'em  
Then you spread 'em, you spread 'em, you spread 'em spread 'em spread 'em

2. repeat verse with berries (pick 'em)

3. repeat verse with sandwich (fold, bite, chew)

Then HUM chorus



## ***Swimming, Swimming***

Swimming, swimming,  
In the swimming hole  
Days are hot and days are cold  
In the swimming hole  
Breast stroke, side stroke  
Fancy diving too  
Don't you wish you didn't have  
Anything else to do?

## Lively Songs

### **All You Etta**

(Tune: Alouette)

**CHORUS:**

All you etta, tell me all you etta.  
All you etta, tell me all you et.

Leader: Did you et your (ham) today?

All: Yes, I et my (ham) today.

Leader: (Ham) today?

All: (Ham) today. Oh-h-h-h-h

Leader: Did you et your (potatoes) today?

All: Yes, I et my (potatoes) today.

Leader: (Potatoes) today?

All: (Potatoes) today.

Leader: (Ham) today?

All: (Ham) today. Oh-h-h-h-h



### **Bear Song**

(Tune: Sippin' Cider)

Note: Group (G) follows leader (L), then both (B) repeat each verse)

L: The other day

G: The other day

L: I met a bear

G: I met a bear

L: Up in the woods

G: Up in the woods

L: Away up there

G: Away up there

B: The other day I met a bear, up in the woods away up there.

He looked at me... I looked at him... He sized up me... I sized up him

He said to me... Why don't you run... I see you ain't... Got any gun

And so I ran... Away from there... And right behind... Me was that bear

And then I saw... Ahead of me... A great big tree... Oh, Lordy me

The nearest branch... Was ten feet up... I'd have to jump... And trust to luck

And so I jumped... Into the air... I missed that branch... Away up there

Now don't you fret... And don't you frown... Cause I caught that branch... On the way back down

That's all there is... There ain't no more... Unless I meet... That bear once more



## **Bill Grogan's Goat**

Bill Grogan's goat (Bill Grogan's goat)  
Was feeling fine (Was feeling fine)  
Ate three red shirts (Ate three red shirts)  
Right off the line (Right off the line)

Bill took a stick  
Gave him a whack,  
And tied him to  
The railroad track.

The whistle blew  
The train was nigh  
Bill Grogan's goat  
Was doomed to die!

He gave a cough  
Of mortal pain,  
Coughed up those shirts  
And flagged the train!

## **Day Old Donuts**

(Tune: Banana Boat Song)

### *CHORUS:*

Day old, da-a-ay old, day old donuts for one ninety nine.  
Day, me say day, me say day, me say da-a-ay old.  
Day old donuts for one ninety nine.

Work all day in the donut shop.  
Day old donuts for one ninety nine.  
Some are filled with jelly; some are glazed on top.  
Day old donuts for one ninety nine.

Come, Mr. Policeman, buy my aging pastry.  
Day old donuts for one ninety nine.  
They are cheap, but they're not very tasty.  
Day old donuts for one ninety nine.

Half dozen, whole dozen, buy a whole bunch.  
Day old donuts for one ninety nine.  
Put them down at breakfast; bring them up at lunch.  
Day old donuts for one ninety nine.

Once there was a donut, boy it was humongous.  
Day old donuts for one ninety nine.  
Took a bite, found it full of fungus.  
Day old donuts for one ninety nine.



## **Ghost Chickens**

(Tune: Ghost Riders in the Sky)

1. A farmer went out walking one dark and dreary day.  
He stopped and rested by a coop as he went along his way.  
When all at once a rotten egg hit him in the eye.  
It was a sight he dreaded... ghost chickens in the sky!

*CHORUS* (sounding genuinely like distressed chickens):  
Brock, brock, brock, brock!  
Brock, brock, brock, brock!  
Ghost chickens in the sky!

2. He's been raising chickens since he was twenty-four.  
Working for the Colonel for thirty years or more.  
Killing all those chickens and sending them to fry.  
Now they wanted their revenge,  
Ghost chickens in the sky!

3. Their feet were black and shiny; their eyes were burning red.  
They had no meat or feathers; these chickens all were dead.  
They pecked the farmer over, and he died by the claw.  
They cooked him extra crispy,  
And served him with cole slaw!

## **Happy Wanderer**

I love to go a-wandering along the mountain track,  
And as I go, I love to sing, My knap-sack on my back.  
Valderi, valdera, Valderi, valdera ha ha ha ha ha.  
Valderi, valdera, my knap-sack on my back.

I love to wander by the brook that dances in the sun.  
So joyously it calls to me, Come join my happy fun.  
Valderi, valdera, Valderi, valdera ha ha ha ha ha.  
Valderi, valdera, come join my happy fun.

I wave my hat to all I meet, and they wave back to me,  
And blackbirds call so loud and sweet, from every greenwood tree.  
Valderi, valdera, Valderi, valdera ha ha ha ha ha.  
Valderi, valdera from every greenwood tree.

Oh, may I go a-wandering, until the day I die,  
Oh may I always laugh and sing, Beneath God's clear blue sky.  
Valderi, valdera, Valderi, valdera ha ha ha ha ha.  
Valderi, valdera, beneath God's clear blue sky.



## ***I've Got Sixpence***

I've got sixpence, jolly, jolly sixpence, I've got sixpence to last me all my life.  
I've got two pence to spend and two pence to lend, and two pence to send home to my wife,  
poor wife.

### ***CHORUS:***

No cares have I to grieve me, No pretty little girls to deceive me,  
I'm happy as a lark, believe me, As we go rolling rolling home.  
Rolling home, (rolling home), Rolling home, (rolling home),  
By the light of the silvery moon,  
Happy as the day, that we line up for our pay,  
As we go rolling, rolling home.

I've got fourpence, jolly, jolly fourpence, I've got fourpence to last me all my life.  
I've got two pence to spend and two pence to lend, and no pence to send home to my wife,  
poor wife.

I've got two pence, jolly, jolly two pence, I've got two pence to last me all my life.  
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I've got no pence to spend and no pence to lend, and no pence to send home to my wife,  
poor wife.

## ***Hoiman the Woim***

Sittin' on a fence post, chewin' my bubble gum (chew, chew, chew, chew)  
Playin' with my yo-yo. (whew, whew) *flip wrist like playing with yo-yo*  
When along came Hoiman the Woim.  
And he was this big. (*hold fingers about 1" apart*)  
So I asked him: "Hoiman, what's happening?"  
And he said: "Nuttin." (*gravelly voice*)

Sittin' on a fence post, chewin' my bubble gum (chew, chew, chew, chew)  
Playin' with my yo-yo. (whew, whew) *flip wrist like playing with yo-yo*  
When along came Hoiman the Woim.  
And he was this big. (*hold fingers about 6" apart*)  
So I asked him: "Hoiman, what's happening?"  
And he said: "I ate my sista." (*gravelly voice*)

Repeat with:  
Foot apart "brudda"  
2 feet apart "mudda"  
wide apart "fadda"

Last verse:  
Sittin' on a fence post, chewin' my bubble gum (chew, chew, chew, chew)  
Playin' with my yo-yo. (whew, whew) *flip wrist like playing with yo-yo*  
When along came Hoiman the Woim.  
And he was this big. (*hold fingers about 1" apart*)  
So I asked him: "Hoiman, what's happening?"  
And he said: "I burped!" (*gravelly voice*)

## Lilly the Pink

1. Now here's a story, a little bit gory  
A little bit happy, a little bit sad  
Of Lilly the Pink and her medicinal compound  
And how it drove her to the bad.

### CHORUS:

Oh we'll drink a drink a drink  
To Lilly the Pink the Pink the Pink  
The savior of the human race  
She invented medicinal compound  
Most effectatious in every case.

2. Ebenezer thought he was Julius Caesar  
So they put him in a home  
There they gave him medicinal compound  
And now he's emperor of Rome.

3. Uncle Paul, he was very small. He  
Was the shortest man in town.  
They rubbed his body with medicinal compound,  
Now he weighs just half a pound

4. Johnny Hammer had a terrible stammer,  
He could hardly say a word.  
So they gave him medicinal compound  
And now he's seen but never heard.

5. (Sung very sad)  
Lilly died and went to heaven  
All the church bells they did ring  
She took with her medicinal compound  
AND HARK THE HERALD ANGELS SING!



## Mountain Dew

My uncle Bill has a still on the hill, Where he runs off a gallon or two,  
The birds in the sky get so drunk they can't fly, In that good old mountain dew.

### CHORUS:

They call it that good old mountain dew, And them that refuse it are few,  
I'll hoist up my mug if you fill up my jug, With that good old mountain dew.

My cousin Mort, He's sawed off and short, He measures just four foot two,  
But he thinks he's a giant, when you give him a pint of that good old mountain dew.

Down the road here from me there's a big hollow tree, Where you lay down a dollar or two,  
You go 'round the bend, and come back again, There's a jug of that good old mountain dew.

My brother Don has a still in the john, Where he'll run off a gallon or two.  
When the Revenuers come rushin' He'd just give it a flush'n' There'd go that good old mountain dew.





## **Mules**

(Tune: "Auld Lang Syne")

On mules we find two legs behind  
And two we find before;  
We stand behind before we find  
What the two behind be for.  
When we're behind the two behind  
We find what these be for;  
So stand before the two behind,  
And behind the two before.

## **Ocean Waves**

It was Friday night when we set sail,  
And we were not far from the land.  
When the captain spied a lovely mermaid  
With a comb and a brush in her hand, her hand, her hand,  
With a comb and a brush in her hand.

### **CHORUS:**

Oh! The ocean waves may roll, may roll,  
And the stormy winds may blow, may blow,  
But we poor sailors go skipping to the tops  
While the land-lubbers lie down below, below, below,  
While the land-lubbers lie down below.

Then up spoke the captain of our gallant ship,  
And a fine old man was he,  
Saying, "This fishy mermaid has warned us of our doom;  
We shall sink to the bottom of the sea, the sea, the sea,  
We shall sink to the bottom of the sea!"

Then up spoke the mate of our gallant ship,  
And a well spoken man was he;  
I've married a wife in Salem Town,  
And tonight she a widow will be, will be, will be,  
And tonight she a widow will be."

Then up spoke the cook of our gallant ship.  
And a RED HOT cook was he;  
I care much more for my kettles and my pots  
Than I do for the bottom of the sea, the sea, the sea,  
Than I do for the bottom of the sea.

Then up spoke the cabin boy of our gallant ship.  
And a scurvy little rascal was he;  
I've nary a soul in Salem Town  
Who will care what happened to me, to me, to me,  
Who will care what happened to me.

(Slowly) Then three times round, went our gallant ship  
Then three times round went she;  
Then three times round, went our gallant ship  
And she sank to the bottom of the sea, the sea, the sea,  
And she sank to the bottom of the sea.

## **Ravioli**

(Tune: Alouette)

### *CHORUS:*

Ravioli, I like ravioli.  
Ravioli, it's the best for me.

Leader: Have I got it on my chin?  
All: Yes, You've got it on your chin.  
Leader: On my chin?  
All: On your chin. Oh-h-h-h-h

(Continue with tie, shirt, pants, shoes, floor, walls. Point to the items as the song leader adds each new word. Each time the chorus is sung, the previous verses are sung in reverse order.)

## ***She'll be Comin' Round the Mountain***

*(Sing each stanza making appropriate motions and sounds.  
Then at the end of each stanza, repeat all previous sounds and motions.)*

She'll be comin' 'round the mountain when she comes, "Whoa, Whoa!"  
She'll be comin' 'round the mountain when she comes, "Whoa, whoa!"  
She'll be comin' 'round the mountain  
She'll be comin' 'round the mountain  
She'll be comin' 'round the mountain when she comes, "Whoa, whoa!"

She'll be drivin' six white horses when she comes, "Whoa back!"  
She'll be drivin' six white horses when she comes, "Whoa back!"  
She'll be drivin' six white horses  
She'll be drivin' six white horses  
She'll be drivin' six white horses when she comes, "Whoa back!, Whoa, Whoa!"

We will all go out to meet her when she comes, "Hi, Babe!"  
We will all go out to meet her when she comes, "Hi, Babe!"  
We will all go out to meet her  
We will all go out to meet her  
We will all go out to meet her when she comes, "Hi, Babe!, Whoa back!, Whoa, whoa!"

We will kill the old red rooster when she comes, "Hack, Hack!"  
We will kill the old red rooster when she comes, "Hack, Hack!"  
We will kill the old red rooster  
We will kill the old red rooster  
We will kill the old red rooster when she comes, "Hack, Hack! Hi Babe! Whoa back! Whoa, whoa!"

We will all have chicken an' dumplings when she comes, "Yum, Yum!"  
We will all have chicken an' dumplings when she comes, "Yum, Yum!"  
We will all have chicken an' dumplings  
We will all have chicken an' dumplings  
We will all have chicken an' dumplings when she comes, "Yum, Yum! Hack Hack! Hi Babe! Whoa back! Whoa, whoa!"

### ***The Ants Go Marching***

The ants go marching one by one, hurrah, hurrah  
The ants go marching one by one, hurrah, hurrah  
The ants go marching one by one,  
The little one stopped to suck his thumb  
And they all go marching down into the ground  
To get out of the rain, BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

Two by two ... to tie his shoe  
Three by three ... to climb a tree  
Four by four ... to shut the door  
Five by five ... to take a dive  
Six by six ... to pick up sticks  
Seven by seven ... to pray to heaven  
Eight by eight ... to shut the gate  
Nine by nine ... to check the time  
Ten by ten ... to say "THE END"

## ***The Cat Came Back***

Old Mr. Johnson had troubles of his own.  
He had a yellow cat that wouldn't leave him alone.  
He tried and he tried to give that cat away.  
He gave it to a man going far, far away, but...

### ***CHORUS:***

The cat came back the very next day.  
Oh, the cat came back; they thought it was a goner  
But the cat came back. It just wouldn't stay away, away, away.

He gave it to a man going way out west,  
He told him to give it to the one he loved the best.  
First the train jumped the track, then it hit a rail.  
No one is alive today to tell the gruesome tale, but...

He gave it to a man going up in a balloon.  
He told him to give it to the man in the moon.  
The balloon came down about 90 miles away,  
Where that man is today, I cannot say, but...

He gave it to a boy with a dollar note.  
He told him to take it up the river in a boat.  
They tied a weight around its neck - it must have weighed 100 pounds.  
And now they drag the riverbed for the little boy who drowned, but...

The man around the corner said he'd shoot the cat on sight.  
He loaded up his shotgun full of nails and dynamite.  
He waited and he waited for that cat to come around.  
Ninety-seven pieces of man were all the people found, but...

The A-bomb fell just the other day.  
The H-bomb fell in the very same way.  
England went! Russia went! And then the USA.  
The human race was destroyed without a chance to pray, but...

### **Three Jolly Fishermen**

There were three jolly fishermen  
There were three jolly fishermen  
Fisher, fishermen, men, men  
Fisher, fishermen, men, men  
There were three jolly fishermen

The first one's name was Abraham  
The first one's name was Abraham  
Abra, Abra, ham, ham, ham  
Abra, Abra, ham, ham, ham  
The first one's name was Abraham

The second one's name was Isaac  
The second one's name was Isaac  
I, I, zak, zak, zak  
I, I, zak, zak, zak  
The second one's name was Isaac

The third one's name was Jacob  
The third one's name was Jacob  
Ja, Ja, cub, cub, cub  
Ja, ja, cub, cub, cub  
The third one's name was Jacob

They all sailed up to Jericho  
They all sailed up to Jericho  
Jeri, Jeri, co, co, co  
Jeri, Jeri, co, co, co  
They all sailed up to Jericho

They should have gone to Amsterdam  
They should have gone to Amsterdam  
Amster, Amster, sh, sh, sh  
Amster, Amster, sh, sh, sh  
They should have gone to Amsterdam

## ***Titanic***

Oh, they built the ship Titanic, to sail the ocean blue  
And they thought they had a ship that the water wouldn't go through  
But the good LORD raised His hand, said the ship would never land  
It was sad when the great ship went down

### ***CHORUS:***

Oh, it was sad, so sad  
It was sad when the great ship went down  
To the bottom of the sea  
(Husbands and wives, little children lost their lives)  
It was sad when the great ship went down.

Oh, they were not far from shore, when they heard a mighty roar  
And the rich refused to associate with the poor  
So they put them down below, where they'd be the first to go  
It was sad when the great ship went down.

They put the lifeboats out, on the wild and stormy sea,  
And the band struck up with Nearer My God to Thee  
Little children wept and cried, as the waves rolled o'er the side  
It was sad when the great ship went down

The Captain stood on deck, with a teardrop in his eye  
As the last boat left, he waved them all goodbye  
He went down with the ship to the bottom of the sea  
It was sad when the great ship went down

Oh, they built another ship called the SS '92  
And they thought they had a ship that the water would not go through  
But the christened it with beer and it sank right off the pier  
It was sad when the great ship went down

Oh, the moral of this story, is very plain to see  
Always wear a life preserver, when you go off to sea  
For in the good LORD 's eyes, you're the same as other guys.  
It was sad when the great ship went down

## ***Vive L'Amour***

Let every good fellow, now join in our song, Vive la compagnie!  
Success to each other, and pass it along, Vive la compagnie!

### ***CHORUS:***

Vive la, vive la, Vive l'amour. Vive la, vive la, Vive l'amour.  
Vive l'amour, vive l'amour, Vive la compagnie!

A friend on your left, and a friend on your right, Vive la compagnie!  
In love and good fellowship, let us unite, Vive la compagnie!

Now wider and wider, our circle expands, Vive la compagnie!  
We'll sing to our comrades, in far away lands Vive la compagnie!

With friends all around us, we'll sing out our song Vive la compagnie!  
We'll banish our troubles, it won't take us long Vive la compagnie!

Should time or occasion, compel us to part Vive la compagnie!  
These days shall forever, enliven our heart Vive la compagnie!

## **Rounds**

### ***Are You Sleeping***

(Four part round)

Are you sleeping, are you sleeping?  
Brother John, Brother John.  
Morning bells are ringing; Morning bells are ringing.  
Ding ding dong, ding ding dong!

### ***Hi Ho! Nobody Home***

(Three part round)

Hi, ho! Nobody home,  
Meat nor drink nor money have I none.  
Yet will I be merry.

### ***Row Your Boat***

Row, row, row your boat  
Gently down the stream.  
Merrily, merrily, merrily, merrily,  
Life is but a dream!

### ***Row Your Boat (British version)***

Propel, propel, propel your craft  
Placidly through the liquid solution.  
Ecstatically, ecstatically, ecstatically, ecstatically,  
Existence is but a delusion!

### ***We're on the Upward Trail***

We're on the upward trail,  
We're on the upward trail,  
Singing, singing, everybody singing,  
Scouting Bound!"

## Scout Songs

### ***Be a Boy Scout***

I've got songs to sing and I'll sing 'em, sing 'em, sing 'em,  
I've got songs to sing, I say.  
I've got songs to sing and I'll sing 'em, sing 'em, sing 'em,  
I will sing 'em 'til the break of day.

#### *CHORUS:*

And I will be a Boy Scout, be a Boy Scout, be a Boy Scout;  
I will do my best.  
And I will be a Boy Scout, be a Boy Scout, be a Boy Scout, do my best.

(Repeat substituting different phrases like "tents to pitch", "friends to meet",  
"meals to cook", "dishes to wash", "trails to hike", "bugles to blow" etc.)



### ***I've Got that Scouting Spirit***

I've got that Scouting spirit up in my head,  
Up in my head,  
Up in my head,  
I've got that Scouting spirit up in my head,  
Up in my head to stay.

I've got that Scouting spirit deep in my heart  
*continue as in first verse*

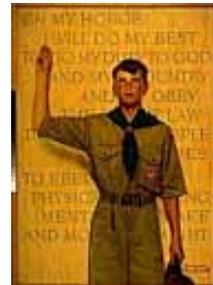
I've got that Scouting spirit down in my feet  
*continue as in first verse*

I've got that Scouting spirit all over me  
*continue as in first verse*

I've got that Scouting spirit up in my head,  
Deep in my heart,  
Down in my feet,  
I've got that Scouting spirit all over me,  
All over me to stay.

### ***On My Honor***

On my honor, I'll do my best,  
To do my duty to God.  
On my honor, I'll do my best,  
To serve my country as I may.  
On my honor, I'll do my best,  
To do a good turn each day.  
To keep my body strengthened.  
To keep my mind awakened,  
To follow paths of righteousness,  
On my honor, I'll do my best.



## Quartermaster's Store

1. There are snakes, snakes, snakes as big as garden rakes  
At the store, at the store.  
There are snakes, snakes, snakes as big as garden rakes  
At the quartermaster's store.

### CHORUS:

My eyes are dim, I cannot see.  
I have not got my specs with me.  
I have not got my specs with me.



2. There are mice, mice, mice running through the rice...
3. There are rats, rats, rats as big as alley cats...
4. There are spiders, spiders, spiders, Swimming in the cider...
5. There are fleas, fleas, fleas, Landing on the cheese...
6. There are bats, bats, bats, Bigger than the rats...
7. There was butter, butter, butter Scraped up from the gutter,
8. There was gravy, gravy, gravy, Enough to sink the navy ...
9. There were chairs, chairs, chairs, Floating down the stairs ...
11. There were lice, lice, lice, packaged up like rice ...
12. There were ants, ants, ants, Wearing rubber pants ...
13. There was cake, cake, cake, That gave us tummy ache ...
14. There were beans, beans, beans, As big as submarines ...
15. There were eggs, eggs, eggs, That walk about on legs ...
16. There were turtles, turtles, turtles, Wearing rubber girdles ...

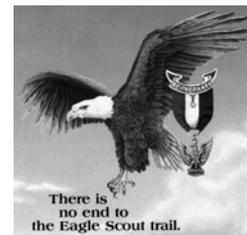


## Scout "Wetspers"

Softly falls the rain today  
As our campfire floats away.  
Silently, each Scout should ask  
"Did I bring my SCUBA mask?  
Have I tied my tent flaps down?  
Learned to swim, so I won't drown?  
Have I done, and will I try  
Everything to keep me dry?"

## Trail the Eagle

Trail the Eagle, trail the eagle  
Climbing all the time  
First the Star and then the Life  
Will on your bosom shine -  
Keep Climbing!  
Blaze the trail and we will follow  
Hark the Eagle's call  
On, brothers, on until we're Eagles all.



## ***We Put the Out in Scouting***

(Tune: Scotland the Brave)

We put the out in Scouting,  
We put the flight to Eagles.  
We lift the light of Scouting over the world.  
We'll never be hiked under,  
Listen to our Scouting thunder!  
We lift the light of Scouting over the world.

All Scouts will work together  
No matter what the weather.  
We light the light of Scouting over the world.  
We leave a light that will say  
To all who pass this way,  
We light the light of Scouting over the world.

We'll blaze the trail from here to  
Wherever duty calls us.  
We light the light of Scouting over the world.  
Scouts, standing row by row,  
We're building for tomorrow.  
We light the light of Scouting over the world.



## Folk Songs

### ***Clementine***

In a cavern, in a canyon, excavating for a mine,  
Lived a miner, forty-niner, and his daughter, Clementine.

***CHORUS:***

Oh my darling, oh my darling,  
Oh my darling Clementine.  
You are lost and gone forever.  
Dreadful sorry, Clementine.

2. Light she was, and like a fairy,  
and her shoes were number nine.  
Herring boxes without topses,  
sandals were for Clementine.

3. Ruby lips above the water, blowing bubbles soft and fine.  
But alas, I was no swimmer, so I lost my Clementine.

4. Listen, Boy Scouts, heed this warning of this tragic tale of mine.  
Artificial respiration could have saved my Clementine.

(For fun, try singing these words to different tunes, such as  
Battle Hymn of the Republic, Ghost Riders in the Sky, or even Ode to Joy!)



### ***Country Roads***

Almost heaven West Virginia  
Blue Ridge Mountains Shenandoah River  
Life is old there older than the trees  
Younger than the mountains blowin' like a breeze

***CHORUS:***

Country roads take me home  
To the place I belong  
West Virginia mountain momma  
Take me home country roads

All my memories gather round her  
Miner's lady stranger to blue water  
Dark and dusty painted on the sky  
Misty taste of moonshine teardrop in my eyes

I hear a voice in the morning how she calls me  
The radio reminds me of my home far away  
Drivin' down the road I get a feelin'  
That I should been home yesterday yesterday

## **Home on the Range**

Oh, give me a home, where the buffalo roam,  
Where the deer and the antelope play,  
Where seldom is heard a discouraging word,  
And the skies are not cloudy all day.

### **CHORUS:**

Where the air is so pure, the zephyrs so free,  
The breezes so balmy and light,  
That I would not exchange my home on the range  
For all the cities so bright.

Oh, give me a land where the bright diamond sand  
Flows leisurely down the stream;  
Where the graceful white swan goes gliding along  
Like a maid in a heavenly dream.

The red man was pressed from this part of the West,  
He's likely no more to return  
To the banks of Red River where seldom if ever  
Their flickering campfires burn.

How often at night when the heavens are bright  
With the light of the glittering stars,  
Have I stood here amazed and asked as I gazed  
If their glory exceeds that of ours.

Oh, I love these wild flowers in this dear land of ours;  
The curlew I love to hear scream;  
And I love the white rocks and the antelope flocks  
That graze on the mountain-tops green.

Then I would not exchange my home on the range,  
Where the deer and the antelope play;  
Where seldom is heard a discouraging word  
And the skies are not cloudy all day.

Home, home on the range,  
Where the deer and the antelope play,  
Where seldom is heard a discouraging word,  
And the skies are not cloudy all day.



## ***I've been Workin' on the Railroad***

I've been workin' on the railroad,  
All the live long day.  
I've been workin' on the railroad,  
Just to pass the time away.

Don't you hear the whistle blowing?  
Rise up so early in the morn.  
Don't you hear the captain shouting  
"Dinah, blow your horn"?

Dinah, won't you blow,  
Dinah, won't you blow,  
Dinah, won't you blow your horn?  
Dinah, won't you blow,  
Dinah, won't you blow,  
Dinah, won't you blow your horn?

Someone's in the kitchen with Dinah.  
Someone's in the kitchen, I know.  
Someone's in the kitchen with Dinah  
Strumming on the old banjo.

Fee, fie, fiddle-e-i-o.  
Fee, fie, fiddle-e-i-o.  
Fee, fie, fiddle-e-i-o.  
Strumming on the old banjo.

## ***This Land is Your Land***

### ***CHORUS:***

This land is your land, this land is my land,  
From California to the New York Islands.  
From the Redwood Forest to the Gulf Stream Waters.  
This land was made for you and me.

1. As I was walking that ribbon of highway  
I saw above me an endless skyway.  
I saw below me a golden valley.  
This land was made for you and me.

2. I've roamed and rambled, and followed my footsteps  
To the sparkling sands of her diamond deserts.  
And all around me a voice was sounding.  
This land was made for you and me.

3. When the sun comes shining as I was strolling,  
And the wheat fields waving, and the dust clouds rolling.  
As the fog was lifting, a voice came chanting.  
This land was made for you and me.



## Quiet Songs



### ***By the Blazing Council Fire's Light***

By the blazing council fire's light  
We have met in comradeship tonight.  
Round about the whispering trees  
Guard our golden memories.  
And so before we close our eyes in sleep  
Let us pledge each other that we'll keep  
Scouting friendship, strong and deep,  
Till we meet again.

### ***Paddle Song***

Our paddles keen and bright,  
Flashing like silver,  
Swift as the wild goose flight,  
Dip, dip, and swing.

Dip, dip, and swing them back,  
Flashing like silver,  
Swift as the wild goose flight.  
Dip, dip, and swing.



### ***Scout Vespers***

Softly falls the light of day,  
As our campfire fades away.  
Silently each Scout should ask,  
"Have I done my daily task?  
Have I kept my honor bright?  
Can I guiltless sleep tonight?  
Have I done and have I dared,  
Everything to Be Prepared?"

### ***Taps***

Day is done,  
Gone the sun,  
From the lake,  
From the hills,  
From the sky,  
All is well,  
Safely rest,  
God is nigh.



## Hymns and Inspirational Songs

### ***Amazing Grace***

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found,  
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
And grace my fears relieved;  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils and snares  
I have already come;  
Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,  
And grace will lead me home.

It made my wounded spirit whole,  
And calmed my troubled mind,  
It's living food for many a soul,  
That weary men may find.

The LORD has promised good to me;  
His Word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures.

When we've been gone ten thousand years,  
Bright shining as the sun;  
We've no less days, to sing God's praise  
Than when we'd first begun.

### ***For the Beauty of the Earth***

For the beauty of the earth,  
For the glory of the skies,  
For the love which from our birth  
Over and around us lies:  
LORD of all, to Thee we raise  
This our hymn of grateful praise.

For the beauty of each hour  
Of the day and of the night,  
Hill and vale, and tree and flower,  
Sun and moon and stars of light:  
LORD of all, to Thee we raise  
This our hymn of grateful praise.

### ***Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee***

Joyful, Joyful we adore thee,  
God of glory, LORD of love!  
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee,  
Praising thee, their sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,  
Drive the gloom of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
Fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee,  
Earth and heav'n reflect thy rays,  
Stars and angles sing around thee,  
Center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain  
Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,  
Chanting bird, and flowing fountain  
Call us to rejoice in thee.

### ***Let All Things Now Living***

Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving  
To God the Creator triumphantly raise;  
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,  
Who still guides us on to the end of our days.  
God's banners are o'er us, His light goes before us,  
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night,  
Till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished,  
As forward we travel from light into light.

His law He enforces, the stars in their courses  
And sun in its orbit obediently shine;  
The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,  
The deeps of the ocean proclaim Him divine.  
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;  
With glad adoration a song let us raise  
Till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:  
"To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!"

### ***Morning Has Broken***

Morning has broken like the first morning.  
Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.  
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word.

### ***Praise Him***

Praise Him, praise Him.  
Praise Him in the morning, praise Him in the noontime.  
Praise Him, praise Him.  
Praise Him when the sun goes down.

Thank Him, thank Him.  
Thank Him in the morning, thank Him in the noontime.  
Thank Him, thank Him.  
Thank Him when the sun goes down.

## Appropriate Graces for Scouting Activities

In place of the command "Let us pray," more inclusive, nonsectarian ways to invite participation in a blessing include the following statements and invitations:

- "A Scout is reverent."
- "Would you join me in prayer?"
- "Will you all assume an attitude of prayer?"



### ***Morning Graces***

- Gracious Giver of all good, Thee we thank for rest and food.  
Grant that all we do or say in Thy service be this day. Amen.
- Our God, we thank You for the dawn of a new day and for our loving care.  
Help us to be mindful of You as we begin this new day. Amen.
- Oh God, we thank Thee for thy care through the night and for this new day.  
Help us to be faithful to You in our thoughts, our words, and our deeds this day and always.  
Amen.

### ***Noon Graces***

- Mighty God, for this noonday meal we would speak the praise we feel  
Health and strength we have from Thee; help us, LORD, to faithful be. Amen.
- Dear God, help us to see the beautiful things in earth and sky, which are tokens of Your love.  
Walk with us in the days we spend together here.  
May the food we eat and all Your blessings help us to better serve You and each other. Amen.
- Oh God, as this day continues let us not forget to honor and serve You.  
We thank You for these gifts of Your love.  
Bless them to our use, and our lives to Your service. Amen.

### ***Evening Graces***

- Tireless Guardian on our way, Thou hast kept us well this day.  
While we thank thee, we request Care continued, pardon, rest. Amen.
- Dear God, we thank You for this day and for Your presence in it.  
Forgive us if we have not made it a better day and  
help us to be tomorrow what we have failed to be today. Amen.
- Our God, we thank You for this evening meal. As You have been mindful of us,  
so help us to be mindful of You, that we may know and do your will. Amen.
- Oh God, You have given us all things to enjoy. We bring our thanks to You at this evening meal.  
Bless us as we eat this food, and keep us mindful of the needs of others. Amen.

## **Graces for Any Meal**

- For health and strength and daily food, we give Thee thanks, O LORD. Amen.
- For this and all Your mercies, LORD, make us grateful. Amen,
- We thank You, God, for this food. Bless us as we eat this meal that it may strengthen us for Your service. Amen.
- Be present at our table, LORD. Be here and everywhere adored; these mercies bless and grant that we may love, and serve, and honor Thee. Amen.
- Praised are You, O LORD, who provided all with food. Amen.
- For food, for raiment, for life, for opportunity, for friendship and fellowship we thank Thee, Oh LORD.  
(Philmont Scout Ranch Blessing)
- Bless the creatures of the sea, Bless the person I call me.  
Bless the Keys You made so grand, Bless the sun that warms the land.  
Bless the Fellowship that we feel, As we gather for this meal. Amen.  
(Florida Sea Base Blessing)
- For food, for raiment, for life, for opportunity, for sun and rain, for lakes and portage trails, for friendship and fellowship, we thank Thee, Oh LORD.  
(Northern Tier Blessing)
- Oh, the LORD is good to me  
And so I thank the LORD  
For giving me the things I need:  
The sun and the rain and the appleseed.  
The LORD is good to me.  
(Johnny Appleseed Blessing)
- For health and strength and daily bread  
We praise Thy Name, oh LORD  
Morning, noontime, evening is here; the board is spread.  
Thanks be to Him who gives us bread.  
Praise God for bread.
- Thank you, LORD, for this camp and the forest around us.  
Thank you, LORD, for this place and the friends who surround us.  
Glory to God, may You use my gifts; use me, too, forever.  
Thank you, LORD, for this camp and the beauty around us.  
(Tune: Edelweiss)



## Six Keys to Good Song Leading

An audience expects SIX things from a good song leader:

1) The NAME of the song.

Announce each song clearly and name the tune if it is not an original song.

2) The PITCH or KEY.

Sing a few notes to give the pitch.  
Be sure the whole group has it.  
If you're too high or too low, stop and start over again.

3) The TEMPO.

Start and stop together.  
Use simple hand motions -- an up and down, pump handle motion will get you started.  
Don't try to imitate a symphony conductor.

4) INFORMATION about the song -- the words, the tune.

Be sure your whole group knows the song.  
If they don't, then teach them.

5) PEP and ENTHUSIASM.

Smile! Show some life!  
Don't insist on volume, at least at the start.  
Tell the crowd that it's singing you want, not noise.  
If it doesn't go well, then no one will know the difference.  
If it looks promising, say, "That was splendid for practice, now let's sing."

6) LEADERSHIP and CONTROL.

Plan your selections carefully -- and use common sense in their selection.  
Choose songs that fit the crowd and occasion -- use the right songs at the right time.  
Beware of parodies and songs that might offend.  
Don't ask what song they want -- tell 'em

