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Virtual Campfire Songbook

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Start

Buddies and Pals

Source: Sparks Guiders' Manual 71

You and me, we're gonna be partners,
You and me we're gonna be pals.
You and me, we're gonna be partners:
Buddies and Pals!
Buddies and Pals!

From now on, we're gonna be partners,
From now on we're gonna be pals
From now on, wer're gonna be partners:
Buddies and pals.
Buddies and pals.

Sheet music
Audio file

Come Together, Come and See

Source: Celebrate with Song, page 8. Music and Chorus by Michelle Pieké (age 12). Verses by Erica Pieké, Ontario

'Round the campfire we agree, there's room for you and me.

Chorus:

Come together, come and see, how we can sing in harmony.

To this campfire would you please come share this song with me.

Sing Chorus

Of this campfire 'specially we'll have fond memories.

Sing Chorus

Aft' this campfire friends we'll be for an eternity.

Sing Chorus

I Promise to Share and be a Friend (Sparks Closing Song)

Source: Sparks Guiders Manual. Words and music by Jaen Wanamaker

I promise to share and be a friend,
By showing we care, it's love we send.
Tho' the world is so wide with love deep inside,
It's easy to be a friend, a friend.

Sheet Music
Audio File

Tall Trees

Source: Songs for CGG 41

Sung as a four-part round

Tall trees that reach the sky,
Mountains and lakes near by
Draw near my friends, come sing my friends
Our campfire time is nigh.

Sheet Music
Audio File

Rise

40 Years on an Iceberg

Source: http://dragon.sleepdeprived.ca/songbook/songs2/s2_25.htm, Author Unknown.

Forty years on an iceberg
Over the ocean wide
Nothing to wear but pajamas,
Nothing to do but slide
The wind was cold and icy,
Jack Frost began to bite
I had to hug my polar bear
To keep me warm at night, night, night, night...
(Repeat and each time hum another line instead of singing it).

Actions:
Verse 1: make #10 with your hands four times.
Verse 2: make a wave motion with hands.
Verse 3: slide hands up body from toes to head.
Verse 4: slide hands down body from head to toes.
Verse 5: shiver, arms around body.
Verse 6: Make pinching motion in air.
Verse 7: Make hugging motion in air.

The World Song (WAGGGs Anthem, English Version)

Source: Songs for Canadian Girl Guides, 3rd ed. (1971). Lyrics written by Gavin Ewart.

Our way is clear as we march on,
And see our flag on high!
It's never furled,
Throughout the world,
For hope shall never die!

We must unite for what is right,
In friendship true and strong,
Until the earth,
In its rebirth,
Shall sing our song,
Shall sing our song.

All those who love the true and good,
Who's promises were kept,
With humble minds,
Whose acts were kind,
Whose honour never slept!

These were the free,
And we must be,
Prepared like them to live,
To give to all,
Both great and small,
All we can give.
All we can give.

Audio File
Sheet Music

The World Song (WAGGGs Anthem, French Version)

Source: Songs for Canadian Girl Guides, 3rd ed. (1971). French lyrics written by Francine Cockenpot.

Ensemble marchons verse l'avenir,
En chantant dans le soleil,
Nous promettons de toujours server,
En un monde fraternal,
Et nos voix unies par delà les mers,
S'élèvent de toute la terre,
Dans l'amour et la joie,
Nous suivons notre loi,
Pour être prêtes. Pour être prêtes.

Le trèfle d'or sur le Drapeau bleu,
Flotte au vent de tous les ciels,
Nous accourons d'un élan joyeux,
Où retentit son appel,
Formant de nos main pour le monde entire,
La chaîne de notre amitié,
Dans l'amour et la joie,
Nous suivons notre loi,
Pour être prêtes. Pour être prêtes.

Audio File
Sheet Music

I Can Make a Difference

Source: Pax Lodge Songbook, page 156. Words and Music by Dorothy Lind, British Columbia (1995).

Sing in unison until *, then add a descant part.

I can make a difference yes I can; I can be a friend and lend a hand;
I can make a choice to take a stand, and I can change the world!
Oh, * I can make a difference, yes I can;
I can be a friend and lend a hand; I can make a choice to take a stand
And I can change the world.

You can make a difference, yes it's true; You can choose the things you say and do.
You can help the earth and people too, and you can change the world!
Oh, * You can make a difference, yes it's true.
You can choose the things you say and do. You can help the earth and people too,
And you can change the world.

We can make a difference if we try; We can work together you and I,
We can do our part so by and by, we can change the world!
Oh, * We can make a difference if we try; We can work together you and I,
We can do our part so by and by, We can change the world.
We can change it, Yes, we can change it;
We can change the world! (spoken): YES WE CAN.

Descant Chorus:

* I can change it; I can change it;
I can change it; I can change the world.

* You can change it; You can change it;
You can change it; You can change the world.

* We can change it; We can change it;
We can change it; We can change the world.

Audio File
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Pizza Hut

Source: http://dragon.sleepdeprived.ca/songbook/songs2/s2_25.htm, Author Unknown.

To the tune of “A Ram Sam Sam”. Actions in bold after each verse; can also be sung in a four-part round.

A Pizza Hut, a Pizza Hut,
Kentucky Fried Chicken and a Pizza Hut
A Pizza Hut, a Pizza Hut,
Kentucky Fried Chicken and a Pizza Hut
Mc Donald's, Mc Donald's,
Kentucky Fried Chicken and a Pizza Hut
Mc Donald's, Mc Donald's,
Kentucky Fried Chicken and a Pizza Hut

Actions:

Pizza Hut: make a square in the air,

Kentucky Fried Chicken: flap your arms like you're doing the chicken dance

McDonald's: make an "M" in the air, starting in the middle of the letter; right hand curves right, left hand curves left.

A Burger King, a Burger King,
A Taco Bell and a Burger King
A Burger King, a Burger King,
A Taco Bell and a Burger King
Red Lobster, Red Lobster,
Taco Bell and a Burger King
Red Lobster, Red Lobster,
Taco Bell and a Burger King

Actions:

Burger King: hold your hands like you're eating a burger and bring them to your mouth and away again

Taco Bell: with your right hand pretend you're waving a bell back and forth

Red Lobster: make claws with your fingers

Listen to the Earth

Source: Celebrate with Song, page 53. Words and music by Dorothy Lind, British Columbia (1991).

The song can be sung as a 4 part round as usual but it can also end wonderfully on a chord. After everyone has sung the song through once together, Group 1 sings lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 1, 2, 3; Group 2 sings lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 1, 2; Group 3 sings lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 1; Group 4 sings the whole song once.

Listen to the earth it's singing to me
Hear all nature's harmony
Waterfall and raindrops, wind and sea
Sing the song of the Earth to me.

Audio File
Sheet Music

Sing a Song of Canada

Source: Pax Lodge Songbook, page 75. Words and music by Dorothy Lind, British Columbia (1995).

Chorus:
Sing a song of Canada, Let your spirit show.
Send your voice across the land, and let the whole world know;
It's a land of endless beauty, of people proud and free, so
Sing a song of Canada, our home from sea to sea.

It's a song of rugged coasts and mountains tow'ring high;
Gentle hills and rolling prairies beneath the northern sky;
Woodlands, lakes and rivers, so much variety;
Mountains, plains, and sea-coast, blended all in harmony.
Sing Chorus

It's a song of friendly people who built this land with pride;
Many races, creeds and colours, all working side by side;
Farms and towns and cities, so much diversity;
A cultural mosaic, blended all in harmony.
Sing Chorus

Audio File
Sheet Music

Top

Tree Song

Source: Jubilee Song Book, page 25.

Once upon a time
There was a tree
The prettiest tree
That you ever did see!

Chorus:
And the tree was in the ground
And the green grass grew all around, all around,
And the green grass grew all around!

Now on that tree
There was a branch
Just the prettiest little branch
That you ever did see!

Chorus:
And the branch was on the tree
And the tree was in the ground
And the green grass grew all around, all around
And the green grass grew all around!
...add on twig, nest, egg, bird, wing, feather, flea, elephant!

Actions:
Ground: move both arms out from the body horizontally (i.e. as a movie director would when saying "cut!")
Tree: two hands trace parallel lines starting at the level of your head and heading downwards
Branch: hold one arm out as a branch
Twig: hold up your pinkie finger
Nest: cup your hands
Egg: make a fist
Bird: one hand pointed forward at your face as a beak, the other sticking out behind as a tail
Wing: flap one arm
Feather: trace the path a feather would take as it falls through the air

Flea: indicate something really small

Elephant: trace the outline of something really big!

Les Grenouilles

Source: "Campfire Activities", Girl Guides of Canada, 1993.

On sait que les grenouilles font **(battant des mains)** chagalagala **(battant des mains)** chagalagala **(battant des mains)** chagalagala (bis)

On sait que les grenouilles font **(battant des mains)** chagalagala

Mais elles ne font pas N N AH!

Guiding March Song

Source: Songs for Canadian Girl Guides, 6th ed., 1981. Music and words by Mary Chater.

Chorus:
They are Guides, all Guides
And in unexpected places
You'll meet their friendly faces
And a ready hand besides
And there's not much danger
Of finding you're a stranger
For Commissioner or Ranger
They are Guides, all Guides

Who are these? Swinging along the road,
With a pack on the back, a song in the heart, to ease the load?
It is eighty years or more since they crowded through the door,
And they're coming along as gay and strong as ever they came before

Who are these? Living beneath the sky
While the simmering sun, the pattering rain, the clouds pass by
They will dine beneath the boughs and their leader always vows
That they're never afraid of wasps and hardly ever afraid of cows

Who are these? Sitting around the fire
They'll be happy to have your company if that is your desire
And the evening will be gay at the sunset of the day
With a song to sing and a tale to tell and many a tune to play

Who are these leaving the beaten track,
They are climbing high to the open sky and they won't turn back
You may join them where you will for the gate is open still
And the Guides of today can find their way to the path across the hill

Final Chorus:
They are Guides all Guides
At this moment you will find them
With eighty years behind them



And a steady heart besides
For in need or danger
They're friends with every stranger
And as Brownie, Guide and Ranger
They are Guides - all Guides!

Yes She Can!

Source: Still Singing 25. Words by Iris Hirsch (1990).

To the tune of "She'll be Comin' Round the Mountain"

Can a woman fly an airplane? Yes, she can. YES! She CAN!
Can a woman build a building? Yes, she can. YES! She CAN!
Can a woman fight a fire? Can a woman change a tire?
Can a woman lead a choir? Yes, she can. YES! She CAN!

Can a woman be a lawyer? Yes, she can. YES! She CAN!
Can a woman fix an engine? Yes, she can. YES! She CAN!
Can a woman be a drummer? Can a woman be a plumber?
Can she play ball in the summer? Yes, she can. YES! She CAN!

Can a woman be a doctor? Yes, she can. YES! She CAN!
Can a woman drive a tractor? Yes, she can. YES! She CAN!
Can a woman lead a nation? Yes, she can. YES! She CAN!
Can she head a corporation? Yes, she can. YES! She CAN!

Just you wait until you're older, then you'll see
We'll be women in tomorrow's history!
As we grow up through the years, We'll sing out loud and clear
Can we start the process here? Yes, she can. YES! She CAN!

Audio File
Sheet Music

Ham and Eggs

Source: Campfire Activities, page 142.

Divide the group into two parts: one stands on “ham” and “flip,” the other stands on “eggs” and “flop.”

Ham and eggs, ham and eggs, I like mine all nice and brown,
I like mine turned upside down, ham and eggs, ham and eggs,
Flip, flop, flop, flip, ham and eggs.

Audio File
Sheet Music

Sisters for a Century (GGC 100 Year Song)

Author Unknown

Sparks and Brownies,
Guides,
Pathfinders,
Rangers,
Trefoil Guild,
Link,

We're all Girl Guides,
We're all Girl Guides.

Adventure awaits us every day,
learning new things,
and having our say.

We're all Girl Guides,
We're all Girl Guides!

We've been sisters for a Century,
Friendship like it ought to be,
We've got a hundred years,
Here's to another hundred years.

We've been sisters for a century,
Friendship like it ought to be,
We've got a hundred years,
here's to another hundred years.

Hey!

From Our Cabana,
to Sagnam,
Pax Lodge,
to Our Chalet.

We're all welcome,



We’re all welcome.

All we need is an open mind,
up to a challange,
and ready to be kind.

We’re all welcome,
we’re all welcome!

We’ve been sisters for a century,
Friendship like it ought to be,
We’ve got a hundred years,
here’s to another hundred years.

We’ve been sisters for a century,
Friendship like it ought to be,
We’ve got a hndred years,
Here’s to another hundred years.

We’ve got a hundred years,
We’ve got a hundred years!
We’ve got a hundred years,
We’ve got a hundred years!

We’re strong in our vision,
confident in our mission,
lending hands wherever there’s need.

Cleaning green spaces,
with a smile on our faces,
taking action,
performing good deeds!

We’ve got a hundred years,
We’ve got a hundred years.
We’ve got a hundred years,
We’ve got a hundred years.



We’ve got a hundred years,
We’ve got a hundred years.
Here’s to another hundred years!

We’ve been sisters for a century,
Friendship like it ought to be,
We’ve got a hundred years,
here’s to another hundred years.

Audio File

Red Wagon

Author Unknown

This song is usually repeated, getting louder each time (a yells, chants, and cheers song).

You can't ride in my little red wagon (Repeat)
Front seat's broken and the axel's draggin' (Repeat)
Chugga, chugga, chuggachugga chugga (Repeat)
Chugga, chugga, chuggachugga chugga (Repeat)
Second verse, same as the first, (Repeat)
but a whole lot quieter and a whole lot worse (Repeat)

You can't ride in my little red wagon (Repeat)
Front seat's broken and the axel's draggin' (Repeat)
Chugga, chugga, chuggachugga chugga (Repeat)
Chugga, chugga, chuggachugga chugga (Repeat)
Third verse, same as the first, (Repeat)
but a whole lot louder and a whole lot worse (Repeat)

You can't ride in my little red wagon (Repeat)
Front seat's broken and the axel's draggin' (Repeat)
Chugga, chugga, chuggachugga chugga (Repeat)
Chugga, chugga, chuggachugga chugga (Repeat)

My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean

Source: Campfire Activities

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
Bring back, bring back,
Bring back my bonnie to me, to me
Bring back, bring back,
Bring back my bonnie to me

Actions:

Start the song sitting down. On the first "B" in the song, raise your hands. At the next "B", sit put them down again.

Repeat throughout the song. Repeat the song a number of times, getting faster and faster!

Calm Down

Barges

Source: Jubilee Songbook, page 56.

Sing this song slowly because barges are slow moving vessels.
Out of my window looking in the night,
I can see the barges' flickering light.
Silently flows the river to the sea,
And the barges too go silently.

Chorus:
Barges, I would like to go with you;
I would like to sail the ocean blue.
Barges, have you treasures in your hold?
Do you fight pirates brave and bold?

Out of my window looking in the night,
I can see the barges' flickering light.
Starboard shines green and port is glowing red
You can see them flickering far ahead.
Sing Chorus

Audio File
Sheet Music

Fire’s Burning

Source: Celebrate with Song, page 10. Translation to Inukitut by Matthew Nuqingaq from Broughton Island, NWT.

Fire’s burning, fire’s burning,
Draw nearer, draw nearer.
In the gloaming, in the gloaming.
Come sing and be merry.

Inukitut Lyrics (In Roman Orthography)
Ikumaajuq, Ikumaajuq
Qaigitsi, Qaigitsi
Qaumaajuq, Quaumaajuq
Inngiqautigittaa

Inukitut Pronounciation
Eh koo ma yook, Eh koo ma yook
K(eye) geet see, K(eye) geet see,
Cow ma yook, Cow ma yook
Ing eh cow tee geet ta.

Inukitut Literal Translation
Fire’s burning
Come
In the light
Sing

Audio File
Sheet Music

Remember Me

Author Unknown

Come and take my hand
See the horizon in the open air, see the treetops way up there,
Because we talk the way we do,
I know I've found a friend,
Oh I will remember you.

When the summer's gone, we'll have to move on
But we'll smile again, as we listen to the rain,
Tell ev'rything you want to,
All your whole life through,
Just promise you'll remember me.

Singing to a guitar,
At Doe Lake campfire,
I think it's nice to know that so many years ago,
There were people here like you and me,
Gazing at the stars,
Saying promise you'll remember me.

As we watch the days come and go,
I feel that you know all the things we've shared,
We'll remember way out there,
As we travel far and back again,
And touch the open sky,
Remember me, my friend

Ending

Say Why

Source: Campfire Activities, page 128.

Say why, do we have to say good-bye. (3x)
Say why, my friend, say why.

Say when, will we ever meet again…

Say where, and I'll meet you right there…

Say why, do we have to say good-bye.
Say when, will we ever meet again.
Say where, and I'll meet you right there.
Say why, say when, say where.

Audio File
Sheet Music

Go Well and Safely (Zulu Farewell)

Source: Cabaña 9; Our Chalet Songbook II, page 44.

Both titles are used, depending on which songbook you look at.

Tune: African; English by Olcutt Sanders

Go well and safely, go well and safely,
Go well and safely, May peace be ever with you.

For additional verses, use any verb that fits the occasion:

- Stay well and safely
- Drive well and safely
- Fly well and safely
- Camp well and safely

Spanish:

Que te vaya bien (3x), Que paz te acompañara.

Ndebele (Zimbabwe):

1. Hambani kuhle (3x), Inkosi ibelani
2. Endai kuhle (3x), Inkosi ibelani.

Shona (Zimbabwe):

1. Fambai zvakanaka (3x), Mwari ave nemwi
2. Garai zvakanaka (3x), Mwari ave nemwi

Audio File

Closing Reading

Although we aren't beside each other,
you are forever in my heart,
We are still united,
together but apart