

Kookaburra

Text und Melodie: Traditionelles Volkslied aus Australien

The musical notation is presented in four staves. The first staff shows two chords: C (x, o, o) and F (x, x, o, o). The subsequent staves are musical lines with lyrics. The first line starts with 'Koo- ka- bur- ra' (measures 1-3), followed by 'sits on an old gum tree,' (measures 4-6). The second line starts with 'mer- ry, mer- ry' (measures 3-5), followed by 'king of the bush is he,' (measures 6-8). The third line starts with 'laugh,' (measures 5-6), followed by 'Koo- ka- bur- ra,' (measures 6-8). The fourth line starts with 'gay' (measure 7), followed by 'your life must be.' (measures 7-8). Measures are numbered 1 through 8 above the staff lines.

2. Kookaburra sits in the old gum tree,
eating all the gum drops he can see,
stop, Kookaburra, stop, Kookaburra,
leave some there for me.

3. Kookaburra sits in the old gum tree,
counting all the monkeys he can see,
stop, Kookaburra, stop, Kookaburra,
that's no monkey, that's me!

Die erste Strophe kann auch als Kanon zu 4 Stimmen gesungen werden.