



Iko Iko (Jock-a-Mo)

Traditional

5 4 4 2 5 4 4 0 0 0 2 2 2 1

My grand-ma and your grand-ma were sit-tin' by the fi-re.

3 3 3 1 3 3 3 3 3 3 4 3 2 1 2 0

My grand-ma told your grand-ma: "I'm gon-na set your flag on fi-re."

Chorus

4 4 4 2 0 2 0 0 0 2 2 2 1

Talk-in' 'bout, Hey now! Hey now! I-ko, I-ko, un-day

3 3 3 3 1 3 3 3 4 4 4 2 1 0

Jock-a-mo fee-no ai na-né, jock-a-mo fee na-né

Additional Verses:

Look at my king all dressed in red I-ko, I-ko,
un-day.

I bet-chu five dol-lars he'll kill you dead,
jock-a-mo fee na-né

Talk-in' 'bout, Hey now ! Hey now ! I-ko, I-ko,
un-day

Jock-a-mo fee-no ai na-né, jock-a-mo fee na-né

My flag boy and your flag boy were Sit-tin' by
the fire.

My flag boy told Your flag boy: "I'm gon-na set
your flag on fire."

Talk-in' 'bout, Hey now ! Hey now ! I-KO, I-KO,
un-day

Jock-a-mo fee-no ai na-né, jock-a-mo fee na-né
See that guy all dressed in green? I-KO, I-KO,
un-day.

He's not a man, he's a lov-in' ma-chine Jock-a
mo fee na-né

Talk-in' 'bout, hey now! Hey now! I-ko, I-ko,
un-day

Jock-a-mo fee-no ai na-né, jock-a-mo fee na-né

About the Song

Originally titled "Jock-a-Mo", Iko Iko was first released in 1953 by Sugar Boy and his Cane Cutters. It wasn't until The Dixie Cups covered it as "Iko Iko" in 1965 that it first made the Charts. The subject of the tune is the confrontation between two Mardi Gras Indian tribes in New Orleans, who .