



# A Collection of Summer Camp Songs





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## **A CAMPING WE WILL GO**

*A camping we will go, a camping we will go  
Hi, ho the derio, a camping we will go.*

*We'll pitch the tent right here,  
We'll pitch the tent right here  
Hi, ho the derio, we'll pitch the tent right here.*

*We'll stack the wood right here  
We'll stack the wood right here  
Hi, ho the derio, we'll stack the wood right here.*

*We'll try not to wake the bear  
We'll try not to wake the bear  
Hi, ho the derio, we'll try not to wake the bear.*

**BEAR?!????!!**

# **AROOSTA-SHA**

*(This is a repeat after me song)*

*Thumbs up: A roosta sha, a roosta sha, a roosta sha  
A roosta sha, a roosta sha, a roosta sha*

*Wrists together: A roosta sha, a roosta sha, a roosta sha  
A roosta sha, a roosta sha, a roosta sha*

*Elbows in: A roosta sha, a roosta sha, a roosta sha  
A roosta sha, a roosta sha, a roosta sha*

*Chest up: A roosta sha, a roosta sha, a roosta sha  
A roosta sha, a roosta sha, a roosta sha*

*Booty out: A roosta sha, a roosta sha, a roosta sha  
A roosta sha, a roosta sha, a roosta sha*

*Knees knocking: A roosta sha, a roosta sha, a roosta sha  
A roosta sha, a roosta sha, a roosta sha*

*Toes touching: A roosta sha, a roosta sha, a roosta sha  
A roosta sha, a roosta sha, a roosta sha*

*Head to the side: A roosta sha, a roosta sha, a roosta sha  
A roosta sha, a roosta sha, a roosta sha*

*Tongue out: A roosta sha, a roosta sha, a roosta sha  
A roosta sha, a roosta sha, a roosta sha*

***BOOM, BOOM, AIN'T IT GREAT TO BE CRAZY***

*Boom, boom, ain't it great to be crazy.  
Boom, boom, ain't it great to be nuts like us!  
Happy and gay, all the day.  
Boom, boom, ain't it great to be crazy!*

*A horsey and a flea were sitting on a tree happy as can be.  
The horsey fell off and fell on the flea.  
'Whoops', said the flea, 'there's a horsey on me.'*

*Boom, boom, ain't it great to be crazy.  
Boom, boom, ain't it great to be nuts like us!  
Happy and gay, all the day.  
Boom, boom, ain't it great to be crazy!*

*Way down south where bananas grow  
a grasshopper stepped on an elephant's toe.  
The elephant cried with tears in his eyes,  
'Why don't you pick on someone your own size!'*

*Boom, boom, ain't it great to be crazy.  
Boom, boom, ain't it great to be nuts like us!  
Happy and gay, all the day.  
Boom, boom, ain't it great to be crazy!*

## **BOOM CHICKA BOOM**

*(leader sings line, everyone repeats)*

*I said a boom chicka-boom!*

*I said a boom chicka-boom!*

*I said a boom-chicka-rocka-chicka-rocka-chicka-boom!*

*Uh huh!*

*Oh yeah!*

*One more time...*

### **Extra Verses:**

*REAL LOUD: screaming the words*

*REAL QUIET: whispering*

*BABY STYLE: sing in a baby type voice*

*FRANKENSTEIN STYLE: hold arms straight out, and sing in a deep voice*

*REAL FAST: as fast as you can*

*REAL SLOW: dragging out all the words*

### **Verses with Special Words:**

**VALLEY GIRL:**

*I said, like a boom chicka-boom!*

*I said, like a boom chicka-boom!*

*I said, like, a booma-chicka, like, rocka-chicka, like, gag me with a spoon!*

*Like, uh-huh!*

*Like, for sure!*

## CHICKEN Song

**C** that's the way it begins  
**H** I'm second in  
**I** I am the third  
And **C** is the fourth letter of this word  
**K** I'm fillin in  
**E** I'm near the  
**N**

Oh C-H-I-C-K-E-N that's the way you spell chicken

O Rufus Rumpus Johnson Brown  
What cha gonna to do when the sun goes down?  
What cha gonna to do? What gonna to say?  
What cha gonna do on judgment day?

Oh you know I know red mean go  
Rain or shine, sleet or snow  
O Rufus Rumpus Johnson Brown  
What cha gonna to do when the sun goes down?



***DO YOUR EARS HANG LOW***

*Do your ears hang low?*

*Do they wobble to and fro?*

*Can you tie them in a knot?*

*Can you tie them in a bow?*

*Can you throw them over your shoulder like a continental soldier?*

*Do your ears hang low?*

## ***I LOVE THE REDWOODS***

*I love the redwoods.  
I love Our Lady's camp.  
I love the campfires.  
I love the songs we sing.  
I love the masses with all the campers there....*

*Boom de ada, Boom de ada  
Boom de ada, Boom de ada*

*Living in tents and cabins under the watch of God.  
He made the pathways that our feet have trod.  
I love to live and live to love for all these wonderful things...*

*Boom de ada, Boom de ada  
Boom de ada, Boom de ada*

*We camp together, paddle down the streams.  
Watch for the sunrise, share our fondest dreams.  
I love to live and live to love for all these wonderful things...*

*Boom de ada, Boom de ada  
Boom de ada, Boom de ada*

*Our lives are sharing, learning how to give.  
Friendships that last as long as we shall live.  
I love to live and live to love for all these wonderful things...*

*Boom de ada, Boom de ada  
Boom de ada, Boom de ada*

***JUST A BOY AND A GIRL***

*Just a boy and a girl in a little canoe  
with the moon shining all around.  
They paddled those paddles so  
that you couldn't even hear a sound.*

*And they talked and they talked till the moon grew dim.  
He said, 'You better kiss me or get out and swim.'*

*So, watcha gonna do in a little canoe  
with the moon shining all around.  
They paddled those paddles so  
that you couldn't even hear a sound.*

*And they talked and they talked till the moon grew dim.  
He said, 'You better kiss me or get out and swim.'*

*So, watcha gonna do in a little canoe  
with the moon shining all a-  
boy shouting all a-  
girl swimming all around...  
get out and swim!*

## **KOOKABURRA**

*Kookaburra lives in the old gum tree  
Eating all the gumdrops he could see.  
Stop, Kookaburra, stop.  
Kookaburra lives a bear for me.*

*Kookaburra lives in the old gum tree  
Eating all the gumdrops he could see.  
Stop, Kookaburra, stop.  
Kookaburra lives a bear for me.*

## **LEAVING ON A CYO BUS**

*All my bags are packed  
I'm ready to go  
sleeping bag is rolled outside your door  
I hate to wake you up to say good-bye  
But the dawn is breaking  
it's early morn  
The bus waiting  
he's blowing his horn  
Already I'm so lonesome  
I could cry.*

*So kiss me and smile for me  
Tell me that you'll wait for me  
Hold me like you never let me go  
Cuz I'm leaving on a CYO BUS  
know that I'll be back again  
Oh counselors I hate to go*

*There's so many times we goofed around  
Had some fun but let you down  
I tell you now I didn't mean to be a damper  
Every place I go I'll think of you  
Every some I sing I'll sing of you  
When I come back I'll be a model camper*

*So kiss me and smile for me  
Tell me that you'll wait for me  
Hold me like you'll never let me go  
Cuz I'm leaving on a CYO BUS  
know that I'll be back again  
Oh counselors I hate to go*

*Now the time has come to leave you  
One more time let me see you  
Then close your eyes and I'll be on my way  
Dream about the days to come  
When I won't have to leave alone  
About the times, I won't have to say  
I'm leaving on Yellow CYO Bus  
I know that I'll be back again oh counselor I hate to go.*

**LITTLE CABIN IN THE WOODS**

*(This is a repeat after me and do as I do cheer!)*

*Little cabin in the woods*

*Little man by the window stood*

*Saw a bunny hopping by*

*Knocking at his door*

*“Help me, help me, help me,” he said!*

*Before the hunter shoots me dead*

*Come inside my little friend*

*And safely we shall hide!*

*\*Act out the lines as you do them and add variations, such as starting really quiet and getting louder each verse, or underwater style, etc.*

## **LITTLE RABBIT FOO FOO**

*Little Rabbit Foo Foo running through the forest  
Scooping up the field mice and bopping 'em on the head!*

*Down came the good fairy and she said,  
'Little Rabbit Foo Foo, I don't want to see you  
Scooping up the field mice and bopping 'em on the head!  
I'm going to give you 3 chances and if you don't  
I'm going to turn you into a goon!'*

*Little Rabbit Foo Foo running through the forest  
Scooping up the field mice and bopping 'em on the head!*

*Down came the good fairy and she said,  
'Little Rabbit Foo Foo, I don't want to see you  
Scooping up the field mice and bopping 'em on the head!  
I'm going to give you 2 chances and if you don't  
I'm going to turn you into a goon!'*

*Little Rabbit Foo Foo running through the forest  
Scooping up the field mice and bopping 'em on the head!*

*Down came the good fairy and she said,  
'Little Rabbit Foo Foo, I don't want to see you  
Scooping up the field mice and bopping 'em on the head!  
I'll give you 1 more chance and if you don't  
I'm going to turn you into a goon!'*

*Little Rabbit Foo Foo running through the forest  
Scooping up the field mice and bopping 'em on the head!*

*Down came the good fairy and she said,  
'Little Rabbit Foo Foo, I gave you 3 chances and you didn't,  
so I'm going to turn you into a goon!'*

*The moral of the story is to hare today, goon tomorrow!*

***OH, THE LORD IS GOOD TO ME***

*Oh the Lord is good to me  
And, so I thank the Lord for giving me  
The things I need  
The sun, the rain and the apple seed  
Oh, the Lord is good to me.*



**ONE BRIGHT DAY IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT**

*(This is a repeat after me song)*

*One bright day in the middle of the night,  
two dead boys got up to fight.  
One was blind and the other couldn't see,  
so they got a dummy for a referee.*

*Back to back they faced each other,  
pulled out a sword and shot eat other.  
A deaf policeman heard the noise,  
so he came and shot those two dead boys.*

*If you don't believe this lie is true,  
ask the blind man he saw it, too.*

**PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLY**

*Peanut, peanut butter and jelly!  
Peanut, peanut butter and jelly!  
First you take the peanuts and you smash 'em, smash 'em,  
smash 'em, smash 'em, smash 'em.*

*Then you take the grapes and you squish 'em, squish 'em,  
squish 'em, squish 'em, squish 'em.*

*Then you take the bread and you spread it, spread it,  
spread it, spread it, spread it.*

*Then you put it together and you eat it, eat it,  
eat it, eat it, eat it.*

*Peanut, peanut butter and jelly!  
Peanut, peanut butter and jelly!*

***PRUNEY***

*No matter how hard a prune may try  
He's always getting wrinkles.*

*A baby prune is like his dad,  
But he ain't got 'em half so bad.*

*We've got wrinkles on our face,  
But Pruney's got them every place!*

*No matter how hard a prune may try  
He's always getting stewed.*

*Little seed within a pru-en  
Is it night or is it nu-in?*

*Whatcha doing, pru-en? Stew-en? HmMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMM?*

**PURPLE STATION WAGON**  
*(This is a repeat after me cheer!)*

YOU CAN'T RIDE IN MY...

*Purple station wagon!*  
*The windshields cracked and the tail pipe's draggin'!*

*....yellow pickup truck!*  
*I took it four-wheeling and the truck got stuck!*

*....low rider Chevy!*  
*we got seven campers and the car's too heavy!*

*....blue drop top!*  
*the brakes ain't workin' and the thing won't stop!*

*....green Dodge Dart!*  
*the batteries dead and the thing won't start!*

*feel free to add your own!*

## **SING ME A RAINBOW**

*Sing me a rainbow, paint me a dream.  
Show me a world that I've never seen.  
Whisper a sunset and when you do  
You'll know how I feel,  
I say, you'll know how I feel  
You'll know how I feel when I'm with...*

*You walked into my life on such an ordinary day.  
And I feel extraordinary since you've come my way.  
There's nothing that I cannot do  
As long as you continue to  
Sing me a rainbow, paint me a dream.  
Show me a world that I've never seen.*

*Whisper a sunset and when you do  
You'll know how I feel,  
I say, you'll know how I feel  
You'll know how I feel when I'm with... YOU!*

# TARZAN

*After each verse, repeat the last line of every previous verse  
End with "and now my song is through!"*

*Ta-a-arzan!  
swinging on a rubber band  
smacked into a frying pan  
now Tarzan has a tan!*

*Ja-a-a-ane!  
flying in her airplane  
crashed into a window pane  
now Jane has a pain!*

*Chee-ee-eetah!  
Rockin' to the beat-a  
fell into the street-a  
now cheetah is velveeta!*

*A-a-a-ape!  
flying in his batman cape  
fell into a ball of tape  
now ape's a different shape!*

*Joe-o-o-o!  
flying high and flying low  
smacked into a ball of snow  
now Joe has no toe!*

*Sha-a-a-mu!  
swimming in the ocean blue  
crashed into a big canoe  
now Shamu's gonna sue!*

## **THE CUTEST BOY**

*The cutest boy (repeat)  
I ever saw (repeat)  
was sipping ci- (repeat)  
-der through a straw (repeat).*

*The cutest boy I ever saw was sipping cider through a - cider through a straw!*

*I asked him if (repeat)  
he'd show me how (repeat)  
to sip some ci (repeat)  
-der through a straw (repeat).*

*I asked him if he'd show me how to sip some cider through a - cider through a  
straw!*

*He said of course (repeat)  
he'd show me how (repeat)  
to sip some ci- (repeat)  
-der through a straw (repeat).*

*He said of course he'd show me how to sip some cider through a - cider  
through a straw!*

*That's how I got (repeat)  
my mother-in-law (repeat)  
and 49 kids (repeat)  
that call me 'ma' (repeat)*

*That's how I got my mother-in-law and 49 kids that call me –  
kids that call me 'ma'!*

## ***THE PALE MOON LIGHT***

*Welllllll, the liquor was spilled on the bar room floor,  
the bar was closed for the night!*

*And the little grey mouse after seeing such a siiiiiight,  
as he sat in the pale moon light!*

*Welll, he lapped up the liquor on the bar room floor and on his  
haunch he sat! And all through the night you could hear him  
roooooar, BRING ON THE GOSH DARN CAT!*

*And the Cat came home about 3am and gobbled up the little grey  
mouse. The moral of this story issssssss.... Never take drink on  
the house,*

*I said never take a drink on the house! Amen!!!*



## **THE PRINCESS PAT**

*(This is a repeat after me song!)*

*The Princess Pat (Egyptian hand movement & hips)  
Lived in a tree (Arms up over heads, making a tree bow)  
She sailed across (wave hands over water)  
The seven seas (Seven fingers, wave hands over water)  
She sailed across (Repeat hand wave over water)  
the Channel too (thumb and finger channel, two fingers)  
and she took with her (sling bag over shoulder)  
a rickabamboo (hands wave down move hips)*

### **CHORUS**

*A rickabamboo (hands wave down)  
Now what is that?  
Its a something made (move fists one on top of the other)  
By the Princess Pat (repeat Egyptian move)  
Its a red and gold (hand on right hip)  
and a purple too (hand on left hip)  
That's why its called  
a rickabamboo (repeat motion)*

*Now Captain Jack (stand at Alert)  
Had a mighty fine crew (salute)  
They sailed across the channel too (as above)  
but their ship sank (hold noses and move body down  
)and your's will too (point out and finger two)  
if you don't take (sling bag over shoulder)  
a rickabamboo (hands wave down)  
(CHORUS)*

*The Princess Pat, saw Captain Jack.  
She reeled him in, and brought him back.  
She saved his life, and his crew's too,  
And do y' know how?- with the rickabamboo!  
(CHORUS)*

## ***THE WATERMELON SONG***

*Oh, you can plant a watermelon right above my grave  
and let the juice - (slurp sound) run through.*

*Oh, you can plant a watermelon right about my grave  
and that's all I ask of you.*

*Well, a chicken and a possum are a mighty, mighty fine,  
but there ain't nothing finer than a watermelon rine.*

*Oh, you can plant a watermelon right above my grave  
and let the juice - (slurp sound) run through.*

## ***THE WHEELS ON THE BUS***

*The Wheels on the bus go round and round  
round and round, round and round.  
The wheels on the bus go round and round, all around the town.*

*The wipers on the bus go swish, swish, swish.  
swish, swish, swish, swish, swish, swish.  
The wipers on the bus go swish, swish, swish, all around the town.*

*The horn on the bus go beep, beep, beep  
beep, beep, beep, beep, beep, beep.  
The horn on the bus go beep, beep, beep, all around the town.*

*The windows on the bus go up and down, up and down, up and down.  
The windows on the bus go up and down, up and down, up and down, all  
around the town.*

*The driver on the bus goes 'move on back', 'move on back', 'move on back.'  
The driver on the bus goes 'move on back' all around the town.*

*The people on the bus get on and off, on and off, on and off.  
The people on the bus get on and off all around the town.*

*The babies on the bus go 'wa-wa-wa', 'wa-wa-wa', 'wa-wa-wa',  
The babies on the bus go 'wa-wa-wa', all around the town.*

*The mummies on the bus go 'shh, shh, shh', 'shh, shh, shh', 'shh, shh, shh'  
The mummies on the bus go 'shh, shh, shh', all around the town.*

## **THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE**

*This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

*I'm gonna take this light around the world and I'm gonna let it shine.  
I'm gonna take this light around the world and I'm gonna let it shine.  
I'm gonna take this light around the world and I'm gonna*

*let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

*This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

*I won't let anyone blow it out, I'm gonna let it shine.  
I won't let anyone blow it out, I'm gonna let it shine.  
I won't let anyone blow it out, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

*This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

*Every day, every day, I'm going to let my little light shine.*

**WADDLY-ATIA**

*Waddly-atia, waddly-atia, doodly-doo, doodly-doo.  
Waddly-atia, waddly-atia, doodly-doo, doodly-doo.*

*The simplist things, there isn't much to it,  
All you have to do is doodly-doo-it.*

*Waddly-atia, waddly-atia, doodly-doo, doodly-doo.  
Waddly-atia, waddly-atia, doodly-doo, doodly-doo.*

***WE ARE THE GIRLS FROM CYO***

*Ay yay yay yike us! Nobody's like us!  
We are the girls from CYO  
Always a winning, always a grinning  
We'd like to say hello.*

*HELLO, GOODBYE! Stick your face in apple pie!  
Ooey, gooey, chop suey  
Squish, squash, applesauce  
Nobody else can play with us  
And, if they do, I'll take my shoe  
And beat them til they're black and blue and purple too,  
And that means YOU!!!*

## ***SURFSIDE***

*We gotta S that stand for Super  
We gotta U that stands for Us  
We gotta R that stands for Rowdy  
and an F that stands for Fun*

*We gotta S that stands for Sexy  
We gotta I that stands for Me  
We gotta D that stands for Dangerous  
and an E that is the END*

*What this all spells is SURFSIDE,  
the unit that's really fun  
even though you guys are bigger,  
we know we're NUMBER 1.*

*We're number 1, not 2, not 3, not 4.  
We're number 1, not 2, not 3, not 4  
We're NUMBER ONE!*

**QUICKSILVER**

*Q-U-I-C-K-S-I-L-V-E-R  
Our name is Quicksilver,  
We said it, we meant it.  
We're here to represent it.  
We're sweet, we're shy.  
We're soul sisters number 9  
Let me hear it one more time,  
ooo la ooh la*

*Q-U-I-C-K-S-I-L-V-E-R  
Our name is Quicksilver,  
We said it, we meant it.  
We're here to represent it.  
We're sweet, we're shy.  
We're soul sisters number 9  
Let me hear it one more time,  
ooo la ooh la'*



## **STRAWBERRY FIELDS**

*(Sung to tune of I am woman)*

*We are the strawberries, we'll knock you to your knees.  
We have the power now. Come on we'll show you how.  
Now if you are a berry, spell it out: I said, B,B-E, B-E-double R, IE.*

*We are strawberries hear us roar. In batches too big to ignore.  
And we know too much to go back to the vine.  
We've been in many jams before. And we've been down there on  
the floor. But no one's ever gonna keep us down again.  
Oh yes we are red and it's fields that we love.  
Yes we've come to camp and look how much we've gained. If we  
had to, we could do anything.  
We are red! We are unsquishable.  
We are Strawberry Fields forever.*

## **WILDWOOD**

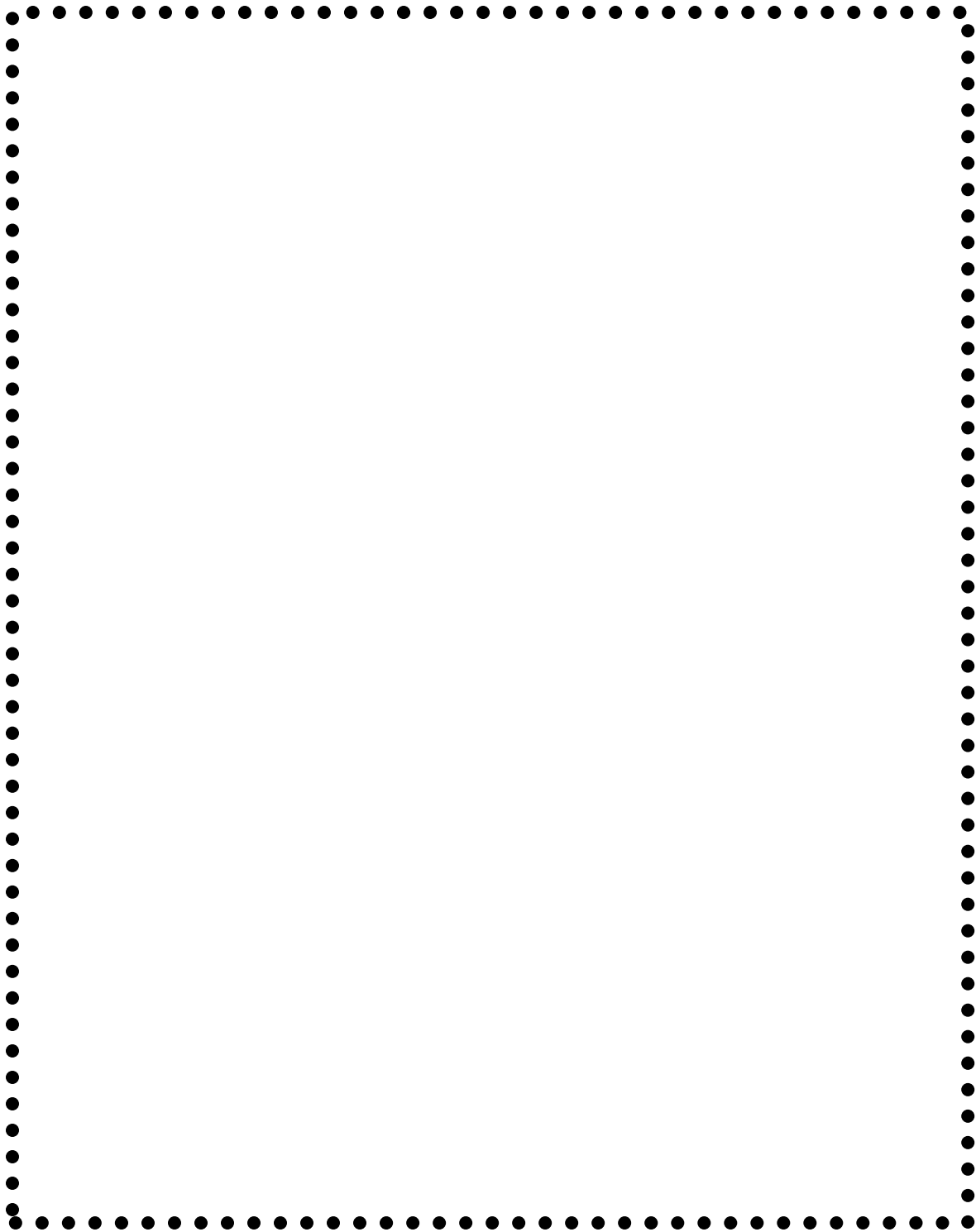
*Wildwood's red hot,  
Wildwood's red hot,  
Wildwood's R-E-D RED H-O-T Hot  
Where we go we can't be stopped.*

--

*To the Tune of California Girls  
Well, the Surfside girls are really hip,  
I dig those style they wear...  
And those Quicksilver chicks with the way they walk,  
they knock me out when I'm down there.  
And the Strawberry Fields berries really make me feel alright!  
And the boys' teen camp with the way they kiss,  
they keep their girlfriends warm at night.  
I wish they all could be wild women...  
I wish they all could be wild women...  
I wish they all could be wild women GIRLS!*

--

*To the tune of Take me out of the Ballgame  
Take me out of CYO Camp,  
Take me out of Wildwood.  
Give us our freedom and cigarettes back!  
Tie those counselors to the railroad track.  
So, it's ONE-TWO-THREE for boys' teen camp!  
When they're not with us, it's a shame!  
So it's hike, swim, eat, and complain...  
for the next \_\_\_ days.*





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