The Wellerman

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Strophe 1

Am Am

There once was a ship that put to sea

Dm Am

The name of the ship was the Billy of Tea

Am Am

The winds blew up, her bow dipped down

E7 Am

O blow, my bully boys, blow

Refrain

F C Dm Am

Soon may the Wellerman come To bring us sugar and tea and rum

F C E7 Am x2

One day, when the tonguin' is done, We'll take our leave and go

Strophe 2

Am Am

She'd not been two weeks from shore

Dm Am

When down on her a right whale bore

Am Am

The captain called all hands and swore

E7 Am

He'd take that whale in tow, huh!

Refrain: Siehe oben

Dann (ein mal Refrain mit Da....da ... da)

Seite 1/3

Strophe 3

Am Am Before the boat had hit the water Dm Am The wha-le's tail came up and caught her Am All hands to the side, harpooned and fought her E7 Am When she dived down low Refrain F C Dm Am Soon may the Wellerman come To bring us sugar and tea and rum F Am x2One day, when the tonguin' is done, We'll take our leave and go Strophe 4 Am Am No line was cut, no whale was freed Am The captain's mind was not of greed Am But he belonged to the whaleman's creed E7 Am She took that ship in tow Refrain: Siehe oben Dann (ein mal Refrain mit Da...da ... da)

Strophe 5 Seite 3/3 Am Am For forty days, or even more Am The line went slack, then tight once more Am Am All boats were lost (there were only four) **E7** Am But still that whale did go Refrain Dm Am Soon may the Wellerman come To bring us sugar and tea and rum **E7** C Am x2 One day, when the tonguin' is done, We'll take our leave and go Strophe 6 Am Am As far as I've heard, the fight's still on Dm Am The line's not cut and the whale's not gone Am Am The Wellerman makes his regular call Dm Am To encourage the Captain, crew, and all Refrain wiederholen. F Dm Am Soon may the Wellerman come To bring us sugar and tea and rum

One day, when the tonguin' is done, We'll take our leave and go

E7

Am x2

F

C