[Ferrying Song by Toni Harting]

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Ferrying Song



verse 1
There once was a man with a very long beard
Who wanted to ferry across
A violent wilderness river
To show it that he was the boss
Just to show it that he was the boss

chorus Dip it in and pull it out
And make a pry and do a draw
Dip it in and pull it out
And ferry the canoe across

verse 2
It all went OK till about halfway
He tried to get back to the shore
But the very long beard, wild woolly and weird
Yelled out "I can't take it no more
That's enough, I can't take it no more!"

chorus

verse 3
It panicked and tried to get out of the boat
Quite sick of this whitewater challenge
But the man cried "No, no, stay inside, do not go
Be careful, we'll loose our balance
Sit down or we'll loose our balance

chorus

verse 4
The beard wanted out but the man wanted in
They fought like two fools on the water
Committing some horrible safety sins
Trying to strangle each other
Yes trying to strangle each other

chorus

verse 5
But then the canoe was fed up with those two
And suddenly slipped from their grasp
Down under they went, the beard and the man
The terrible cold made them gasp
Oh the terrible cold made them gasp

chorus

verse 6
Well the man and his beard, wild woolly and weird
Both drowned for their chances were slim
So if you want to ferry make sure that you carry
A whitewater beard that can swim
Yes a whitewater beard that can swim
So if you want to ferry make sure that you carry
A whitewater beard that can swim
Yes a whitewater beard that can swim

chorus

extra chorus
When the ferry is complete
And you're still dry and all is neat
Once again get off your feet
And ferry the canoe across

chorus

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