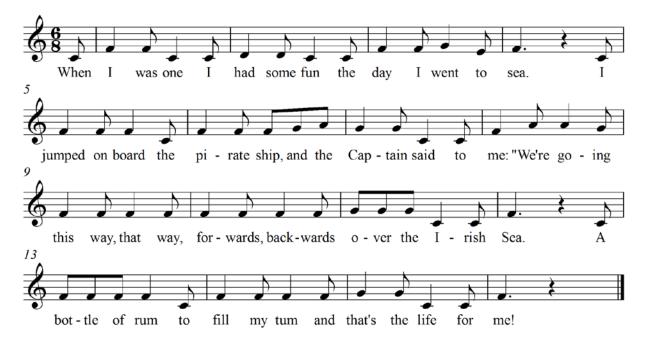
# The Day I Went to Sea

## Traditional Folksong



When I was two I lost my shoe.....
When I was three I skinned my knee.....
When I was four I locked the door.....
When I was five I was just alive........
When I was six I brought some sticks...
When I was seven I came from Devon....
When I was eight I was almost late.....
When I was nine I walked the line ......
When I was ten I started again....

You can vary this by allowing the singers' imaginations free rein point to someone randomly for them to improvise the rhymes for each verse.

Scale	Teaching Purpose(s)
Major minus <i>fa</i>	§ 
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Level 1 Reference	Song Type	<b>CSP</b> (Comfortable Starting Pitch)
Lesson 34	Traditional song and game with additional composed game actions	C to E

## The Day I Went to Sea – Game Version

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Formation: Students stand in a single circle holding their hands out in front of the people beside them. Their left hand should face up under the person's hand on their left and their right hand should face down on top of the person's hand on the right.

#### Beats 1 to 8

– (As in A Qua Qua) Beginning on the first beat of the first full bar, the first person takes their right hand cross their body and taps the person's hand on their left thus "passing the beat". This person then does the same and so on around circle on the beat.

### Beats 9 and 10 ("jumped on board the")

– jump to the left and tap both hands on both thighs on first beat, tap both hands on both thighs again on second beat,

## Beats 11 and 12 ("pirate ship and the")

– jump to the right and tap both hands on both thighs on first beat, tap both hands on both thighs again on second beat,

Beats 13 to 16 – repeat beats 9 to 12 above

Beats 17 to 20 ("this way, that way, forwards, backwards")

– lean left, lean right, bend forwards, bend backwards

Beats 21 to 24 ("over the Irish sea")

- repeat beats 17 to 20 above

Beats 25 and 26 ("a bottle of rum")

- pretend to drink on 1<sup>st</sup> beat, then clap own hands on second beat,

Beats 27 and 28 ("fill my tum")

- tap your stomach on 1<sup>st</sup> beat, then clap own hands on second beat,

Beats 29 and 30 ("that's the life for")

- salute (right hand to right side of forehead), then clap own hands on second beat,

Beats 31 and 32 ("me")

– stamp right foot on 1<sup>st</sup> beat, on 2<sup>nd</sup> beat prepare hands for beat passing – starting with the person after the one who finished the beat passing last time.