

Stir The Wallaby Stew

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Origin: Australian Folk Song

Poor Dad - dy got five years or more as ev' - ry - bo - dy knows,____

And now he lives _____ /s on his clothes.____

He brand - ed all Brown's clean skins and nev - er left a trail,____

So I'll re - late the fam' - ly's fate, Since Dad got put in jail.

Chorus

So stir the wal - la - by stew.____ Make soup with a kan - ga-roo's tail.____

I tell you things are pret - ty crook since Dad got put in jail.____

Glossary:

'Got five years or more' - Was sentenced to five or more years in jail.

'Boggo Road' - In Brisbane, Queensland, this was one of Australia's most notorious prisons.

'Broad Arrows' - Prisoners wore white shirts and pants with big black arrows on them.

'Branded' - To 'brand' an animal is to put your 'mark' on it. (Usually by holding a red-hot metal branding tool against the animals rump) so everyone knew who owned the animal.

'Clean skin' - an animal without a brand.

'Things are pretty crook' - life is quite tough.

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Theme: Australian

Games:

Form:

Song Type:

Partner:

Scale: Pentachord CSP: G - C Age: Lower Secondary - Middle Secondary

Tones: **d** r m f s

Rhythm: tie

Melodic: s m ; m r m ; r m f ; f s ; s r m ; m s ; s f m r (d) ; d s

Prep: f

MC: f

Prac:  tie, f