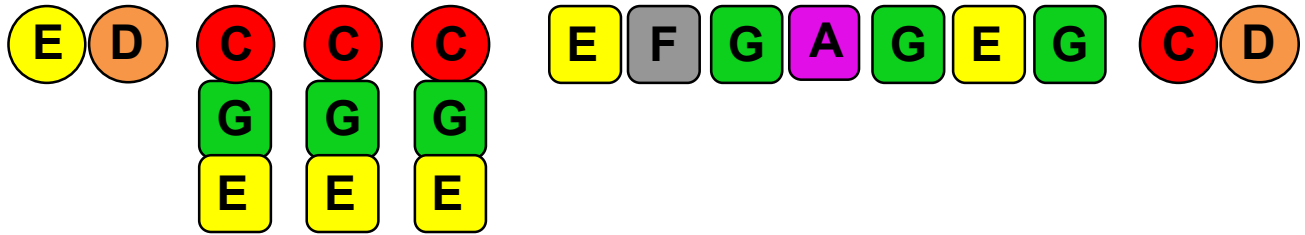
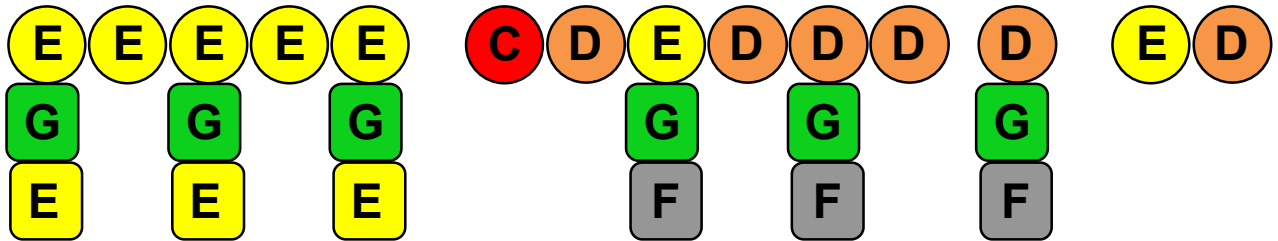


# Do Your Ears Hang Low

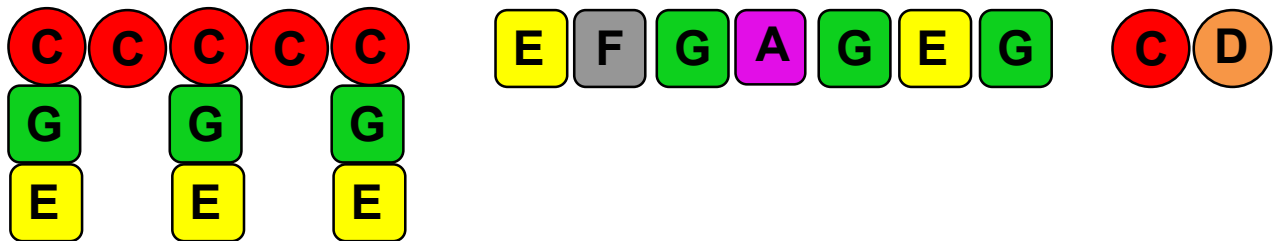
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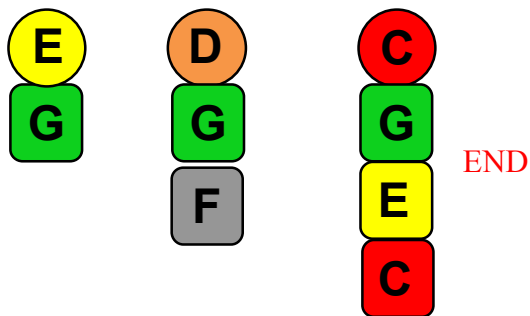
Do your ears hang low? Do they wobble to and fro? Can you



tie 'em in a knot? Can you tie 'em in a bow? Can you



throw 'em o'er your shoulder Like a Regimental soldier? Do your



ears hang low?

END

## Lyrics

Do your ears hang low?  
Do they wobble to and fro?  
Can you tie 'em in a knot?  
Can you tie 'em in a bow?  
Can you throw 'em o'er your shoulder  
Like a Regimental soldier?  
Do your ears hang low?

Do your ears stand high?  
Do they reach up to the sky?  
Do they droop when they are wet?  
Do they stiffen when they're dry?  
Can you wave them at your neighbor  
With an element of flavor?  
Do your ears stand high?

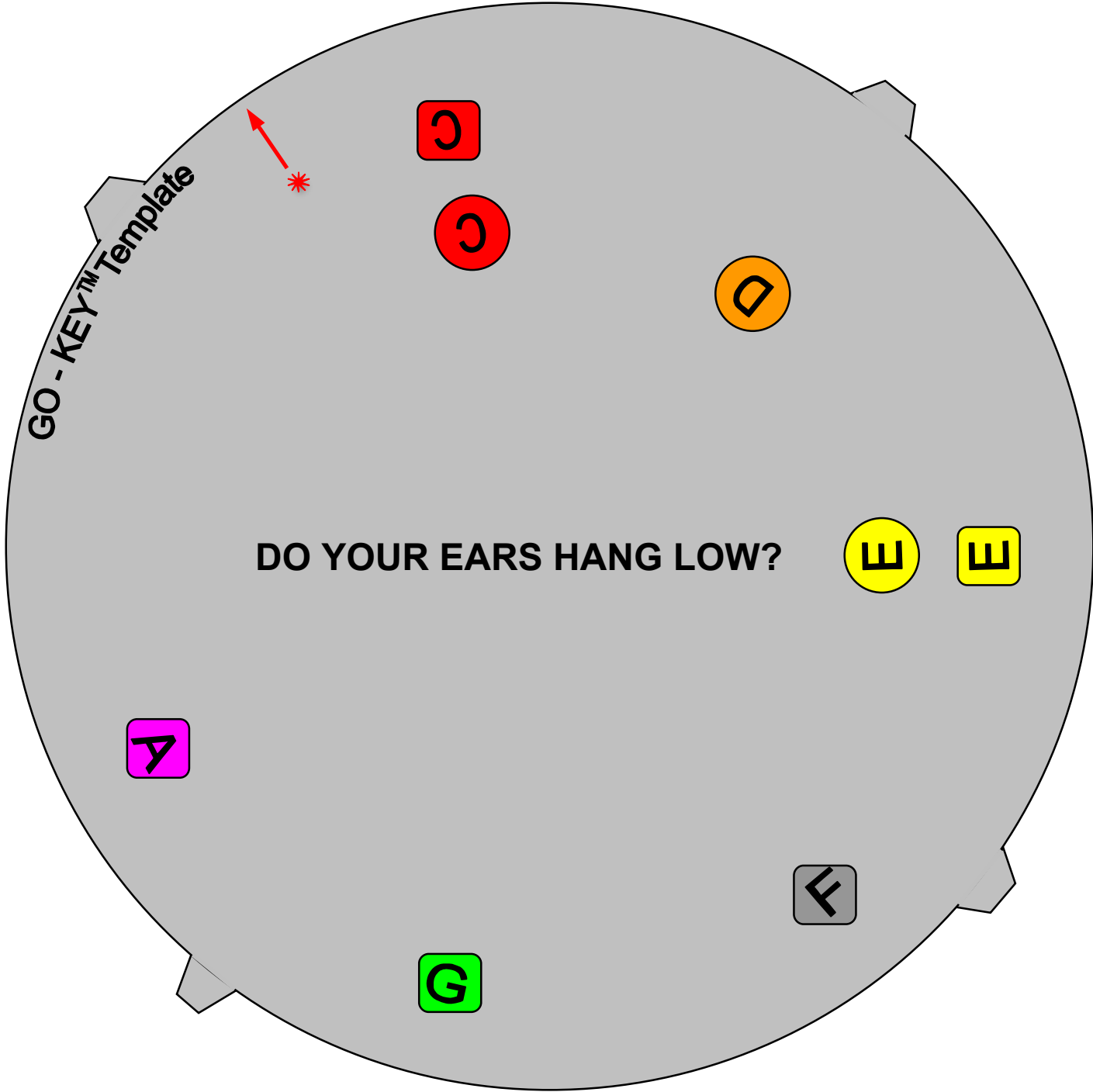
Do your ears flip-flop?  
Can you use them as a mop?  
Are they stringy at the bottom?  
Are they curly at the top?  
Can you use them for a swatter?  
Can you use them for a blotter?  
Do your ears flip-flop?

Do your ears stick out?  
Can you waggle them about?  
Can you flap them up and down  
As you fly around the town?  
Can you shut them up for sure  
When you hear an awful bore?  
Do your ears stick out?

Do your ears give snacks?  
Are they all filled up with wax?  
Do you eat it in the morning  
Do you eat it in the bath?  
Do you eat it with a scone  
Or do you eat it on its own?  
Do your ears give snacks?

*In the United Kingdom, a shorter version with differences in the lyrics is heard, commonly sung in Cubs and Brownies events:*

Do your ears hang low?  
Can you swing them to and fro?  
Can you tie them in a knot?  
Can you tie them in a bow?  
Can you swing them over your shoulder like a regimental soldier  
Do your ears hang low?



## History and Origin

**"Do Your Ears Hang Low?"** is a children's song that is often sung in schools, at camps and at birthday parties. The melody is usually a shorter version of "Turkey in the Straw", but it can also be sung to the tune of the "Sailor's Hornpipe", or "The Parade of the Wooden Soldiers". A common belief is that the lyrics refer to the long ears of a hound.

The origin of the song is most likely George Washington Dixon's "Zip Coon", a racist ditty penned in 1838 and later adapted to the less offensive "Turkey in the Straw".

### Recordings and Uses:

1971, Øystein Sunde a Norwegian - Hvis dine ører henger ned (If your ears hang down).

1980, A recording by Mora Träsk, - Hänger öronen på dig ner (Do your ears hang down?).

1986, A version recorded for the Kidsongs video "A Day with the Animals".

1987, Sharon, Lois & Bram on Stay Tuned.

1993, Barney on Barney's Favorites.

1999, Prairie Dawn, Telly and Big Bird on Kids' Favorite Songs.

2000, Barney's Greatest Hits.

2003, Kinky Friedman on Live From Uranus.

2016, In "Swim Along with Me" book Finding Dory, titled "Do Your Fins Move Fast?"

- A version was used on the Play School album There's A Bear In There.
- A Hip Hop version of the melody is used in the Jibbs' song "Chain Hang Low".
- The vocal melody of this song is used in verses of "みんながみんな英雄" by JPop artist AI.
- Griffin and Justin McElroy sang made-up lyrics to the song advertising an ice cream truck and the fictional ice cream flavor "brown" on the podcast My Brother, My Brother and Me