ROBERT BURNS, 1788

Auld Lang Syne

Sing the chorus after each verse. On the last verse, cross your arms and join hands.

Should auld acquaintance be forgot,
And never brought to mind?
Should auld acquaintance be forgot,
And auld lang syne!

For auld lang syne, my jo,
For auld lang syne,
We'll tak a cup o' kindness yet,
For auld lang syne.

And surely ye'll be your pint-stowp!
And surely I'll be mine!
And we'll tak a cup o' kindness yet,
For auld lang syne.

We twa hae run about the braes,
And pou'd the gowans fine;
But we've wander'd mony a weary fit,
Sin' auld lang syne.

We twa hae paidl'd in the burn,
Frae morning sun till dine;
But seas between us braid hae roar'd
Sin' auld lang syne.

And there's a hand, my trusty fiere!
And gie's a hand o' thine!
And we'll tak a right gude-willie waught,
For auld lang syne.

AULD LANG SYNE GLOSSARY

What the words mean

auld lang syne	long ago, old times
jo	dear, sweetheart
pint-stowp	pint tankard
twa	two
braes	hillsides
pou'd the gowans	picked the daisies
fit	foot
paidl'd in the burn	paddled in the stream
dine	dinner time
braid	broad
fiere	friend
gude-willie waught	goodwill drink