

Crodh-Laoigh nam Bodach

The Old Men's Milking Cows

gently

Trad milking song

SEISD Cm Cm B♭ Gm

5 Crodh - laoigh nam bod- ach_ Crodh - laoigh nam bod- ach_ Crodh -
Cm Cm B♭ F RANN E♭ E♭

11 B♭ Gm Cm Cm B♭ F

laoigh nam bod ach_ Gan to - gail ri gleann Ma tha mo tho gair_ Ma_

tha mo tho gair_ Ma tha mo tho gair_ Cha-n eil mo chrodh ann

SEISD (CHORUS)

Crodh-laoigh nam bodach x 3 The old men's milk cows

loo-oy nam bot-ach

Gan togail ri gleann Taking off up the glen

ghan toe-kal ree glee-aown

RANN (VERSE)

Ma tha mo thogair x 3 So what do I care

ma haa moe hoe-ker

Chan eil mo chrodh ann My cattle aren't there

haan-yale moe hroe aown

SEISD

RANN

Crodh-laoigh nam bodach The old men's milking cows

crow loo-oy nam bot-ach

Air fiar 's air fodar

air fe-ars air foe-ter

Crodh-laoigh nam bodach

crow loo-oy nam bot-ach

Gan togail ri gleann

ghan toe-kal ree glee-aown

Cows were often sung to when being milked, to keep them calm and still. Again the sound of the words, especially the soft vowel sounds, is the most important thing. Children could try making up their own lines of comforting phrases to this melody e.g. 'We're warm and cosy, we're not all frozy, we're tired and dozy, and ready for sleep'.