



ACTIVITY SHEET

GALLOWA' HILLS

Lyrics

Oh the Gallowa hills are covered wi broom
Wi heather bells in bonnie bloom
Wi heather bells and rivers a
And we'll gang oot ower the hills tae Gallowa

For ah'll tak my plaidie contented tae be
A wee bittie kilted aboon my knee
And I'll gie my pipes another blaw
And I'll gang oot ower the hills tae Gallowa

And its aye bonnie lassie will ye come awa wi me
Tae share yer lot in a far countrie
Tae share yer lot when doon fa's a'
And we'll gang oot ower the hills tae Gallowa

I'll sell my rock, I'll sell my reel
I'll sell my grannie's spinning wheel
I'll sell them a when doon fa's a'
And we'll gang oor ower the hills tae Gallowa

Activity 1

This version was made famous by the singer Jeannie Robertson and is a favourite at traditional music sessions. Find out some information about Jeannie Robertson. Do you know any of her other songs?



Activity 2

Have a think about where you live or where your favourite place is. Can you come up with a short song or some verses about it? Think about what you like about it, how it makes you feel, what you can see, hear and do etc.



Activity 3

Can you make a model of the Gallowa' Hills as described in the lyrics. Have a look outside and find some items to help you create your model. You could start with an old cardboard box and build your model around that.



Words

- Rock – distaff with wool or flax on it for spinning
- Reel – base for winding yarn on when spinning