IKO IKO JOCK-A-MO

By James Crawford, Barbara Hawkins, Rosa Hawkins, Joan Johnson in 1953

This New Orleans song is a traditional call and response challenge of two battling tribes at a Mardi Gras parade

KEY: F 4/4 TIME ROCK GROOVE

Starting Note: D







MUTE STRUM //// //// //// ////

STANZA 1: My grandma and your grandma were sittin' by the fire.

C7
My grandma told your grandma "I'm gonna set your flag on fire." Talkin' 'bout

F
C7////
hey now (hey now), hey now (hey now), lko lko un-day.

C7
Jock-a-mo feeno ah-nah-nay. Jock-a-mo fee-na-nay.

STANZA 2: Look-at-my king all dressed in red. Iko Iko un-day. I

C7

F
betcha five dollars he'll kill you dead. Jock-a-mo fee-na-nay. Talkin' 'bout

F
hey now (hey now), hey now (hey now), Iko Iko un-day.

C7

F////
Jock-a-mo feeno ah-nah-nay. Jock-a-mo fee-na-nay.

MUTE STRUM INTERLUDE: //// //// //// ////

STANZA 3: My flag boy and your flag boy were sittin' by the fire.

C7
My flag boy told your flag boy "I'm gonna set your flag on fire." Talkin' 'bout

F
hey now (hey now), hey now (hey now), lko lko un-day.

C7
F////
Jock-a-mo feeno ah-nah-nay. Jock-a-mo fee-na-nay.

STANZA 4: See that guy all dressed in green? Iko Iko un-day.

C7
F
He's not a man, he's a lovin' machine. Jock-a-mo fee-na-nay. Talkin' 'bout
F
C7////
hey now (hey now), hey now (hey now), Iko Iko un-day.

C7
F
Jock-a-mo feeno ah-nah-nay. Jock-a-mo fee-na-nay. Talkin' 'bout

F C7////
ENDING: hey now (hey now), hey now (hey now), lko lko un-day.

C7 F////
Jock-a-mo feeno ah-nah-nay. Jock-a-mo fee-na-nay.

C7 F//// C7//// F//// ///
Jock-a-mo feeno ah-nah-nay. Jock-a-mo fee-na-nay.

MUTE STRUM //// /// REST

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