

IKO IKO

"**Iko Iko**" is a much-covered New Orleans song that tells of a parade collision between two "tribes" of Mardi Gras Indians and the traditional confrontation. The story tells of a "spy boy" (i.e. a lookout for one band of Indians) encountering the "flag boy" carrier for another "tribe." He threatens to "set the flag on fire."

Chorus

[C] Hey now (*hey now*) Hey now (*hey now*)
Iko iko un-[G7]-day. Jockomo feeno ah na nay
Jockomo feena [C] nay (repeat chorus x2)

[C] Look at my king all dressed in red
Iko Iko un-[G7]-day
I betcha five dollars he'll kill you dead
Jockomo feena [C] nay

chorus

[C] My spy dog see your spy dog
Sitting by the [G7] Bayou
My spy dog see your spy dog
Gonna set his tail on [C] fire

chorus

[C] My flag boy see your flag boy
Sitting by the [G7] Bayou
My flag boy see your flag boy
Gonna fix your chicken [C] wire

chorus

[C] My grandma see your grandma
Sitting by the [G7] fire
My grandma told your grandma
Gonna set your flag on [C] fire

chorus

