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Moderato

Piano

The piano introduction consists of two staves. The right hand starts with a series of chords and eighth notes, while the left hand plays a steady eighth-note accompaniment. Dynamics include accents and a forte (fz) marking.

(Till ready)

Way out West man - y moons a - go lived an
Old chief Hoke was a wise old bloke just as

The first line of lyrics is accompanied by piano music. The right hand melody is simple and rhythmic, while the left hand provides harmonic support with chords. Dynamics include piano (p) and accents.

In - dian chief named Ho - Kum Chief Ho - Kum, Chief Ho - Kum He
wise as you can make 'em He said "Men the red men will

The second line of lyrics continues the melody. The piano accompaniment remains consistent, supporting the vocal line with chords and a steady bass line.

had a great big pull. He was a Hoke from Ko - Ko - mo, but
lose their land some day. Teach the Papoose her brain to use when

The third line of lyrics concludes the piece. The piano accompaniment features some melodic flourishes in the right hand, including slurs and ties, before ending with a final chord.

how that bloke could soak - um, He'd soak - um, he
Pale face comes to take 'em Just school 'em to

broke 'em His mid - dle name was Bull.
fool 'em When Big Chief pass a - way.'

He be - came so fa - mous he went down in his - to - ry,
Then he sent for Sit - ting Bull and said 'My son you know,

Ho - Kum is a by word now you see.
Teach them Ho - kum and they'll get the dough.

Chorus

Chief Ho-Kum Chief Ho-kum he al-ways fooled 'em when he ruled 'em
 Chief Ho-Kum Chief Ho-kum he taught his tribe just how to soak um

p-f

And to - day they do the same they play the game with Ho-Kum. Just
 Wise old bird He knew the tricks and filled the hicks with Ho-Kum Just

Ho-Kum, The wise birds al-ways soak um and the poor old boobs just
 Ho-Kum, He'd fake 'em then he'd take 'em for their bank roll band and

fall _____ There's lots of pale face Ind-ians and you
 all _____ Just take a trip down to the wig-wam

meet them ev - 'ry day Who must have been re - la - ted to Chief
 of old Tam - ma - ny You'll see more brands of Ho - kum than you

Ho-Kum in a - way They al - ways seem to get the dough And
 ev - er thought you'd see They have a slo - gan old but true You

how they do it we don't know Ho - Kum Boys that's
 do them first or they'll do you Ho - Kum Boys that's

1 all. _____ Chief all. _____
 all. _____ Chief all. _____

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