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# Chief Hokum

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Moderato

Piano

The piano introduction consists of two staves. The right hand starts with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (B-flat), and a 2/4 time signature. It begins with a series of chords and eighth notes, marked with accents and a dynamic of *p*. The left hand plays a simple bass line with quarter notes. The piece concludes with a *ff* (fortissimo) dynamic 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 musical notation. The vocal line is on a single staff with a treble clef, one flat, and 2/4 time. The piano accompaniment is on two staves. The piano part features chords and moving lines, with dynamic markings of *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 musical piece. The vocal line and piano accompaniment follow the same notation style as the first line, with dynamic markings of *p* and accents.

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 vocal line and piano accompaniment continue with the same notation style, 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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