



# MY OLD KENTUCKY HOME, GOODNIGHT

*Traditional*

The sun shines bright in the old Kentucky home,  
'Tis summer, the darkies are gay,  
The corn top's ripe and the meadow's in the bloom  
While the birds make music all the day.  
The young folks roll on the little cabin floor,  
All merry, all happy, and bright:  
By'n by Hard Times comes a knocking at the door,  
Then my old Kentucky Home, good night!

Chorus:

Weep no more, my lady,  
Oh! weep no more today!  
We will sing one song  
For the old Kentucky Home,  
For the old Kentucky Home, far away.

They hunt no more for the possum and the coon  
On meadow, the hill and the shore,  
They sing no more by the glimmer of the moon,  
On the bench by that old cabin door.  
The day goes by like a shadow o'er the heart,  
With sorrow where all was delight:  
The time has come when the darkies have to part,  
Then my old Kentucky Home, good night!

Chorus:

Weep no more, my lady,  
Oh! weep no more today!  
We will sing one song  
For the old Kentucky Home,  
For the old Kentucky Home, far away.

The head must bow and the back will have to bend,  
Wherever the darkey may go:  
A few more days, and the trouble all will end  
In the field where sugar-canes may grow.  
A few more days for to tote the weary load,  
No matter 'twill never be light,  
A few more days till we totter on the road,  
Then my old Kentucky Home, good night!

Chorus:

Weep no more, my lady,  
Oh! weep no more today!  
We will sing one song  
For the old Kentucky Home,  
For the old Kentucky Home, far away.