

WELLERMAN

There once was a ship that put to _____
And the name of the ship was the Billy of Tea
The _____ blew up, her bow dipped down
Blow, my bully boys, blow (huh)

Soon may the _____ come
To bring us _____ and tea and _____
One day, when the tonguin' is done
We'll take our leave and go

She had not been two _____ from shore
When down on her a right whale bore
The captain called all hands and swore
He'd take that _____ in tow

CHORUS

Before the boat had hit the _____
The whale's tail came up and caught her
All _____ to the side, harpooned and fought her
When she dived down low (huh)

CHORUS

sugar

sea

wellerman

winds

rum

hands

whale

weeks

water

No line was cut, no whale was freed
The _____ mind was not of greed
And he belonged to the Whaleman's _____
She took that _____ in tow (huh)

captain's

creed

ship

CHORUS

For _____ days or even more
The line went slack then tight once more
All boats were lost, there were only _____
But still that whale did go (huh)

four

crew

call

forty

CHORUS

As far as I've heard, the fight's still on
The line's not cut, and the whale's not gone
The Wellerman makes his regular _____
To encourage the captain, _____ and all (huh)

CHORUS (x2)

