

# Weelia Wallia irsk tradition

1. There was an old woman and she lived in a wood,  
*Weelia, weelia, wallia,*  
There was an old woman and she lived in a wood,  
*Down by the river Sallia.*
2. She had a baby three months old ...  
*Weelia, weelia, wallia, ..... Down by the river Sallia.*
3. She had a penknife long and sharp ...  
*Weelia, weelia, wallia, ..... Down by the river Sallia.*
4. She stuck the penknife in the baby's heart ...  
*Weelia, weelia, wallia, ..... Down by the river Sallia.*
5. There came three loud knocks a-knocking on the door ...  
*Weelia, weelia, wallia, ..... Down by the river Sallia.*
6. There were three policemen and a dog ...  
*Weelia, weelia, wallia, ..... Down by the river Sallia.*
7. Are you the woman who killed the child? ...  
*Weelia, weelia, wallia, ..... Down by the river Sallia.*
8. They took her away and put her in the jail ...  
*Weelia, weelia, wallia, ..... Down by the river Sallia.*
9. They put a rope around her neck ...  
*Weelia, weelia, wallia, ..... Down by the river Sallia.*
10. They pulled the rope and she got hung ...  
*Weelia, weelia, wallia, ..... Down by the river Sallia.*
11. Now that was the end of the woman in the wood,  
*Weelia, weelia, wallia,*  
And that was the end of the baby too,  
*Down by the river Sallia.*
12. Now the moral of this story is,  
*Weelia, weelia, wallia,*  
Don't put a knife in the baby's heart,  
*Down by the river Sallia.*

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