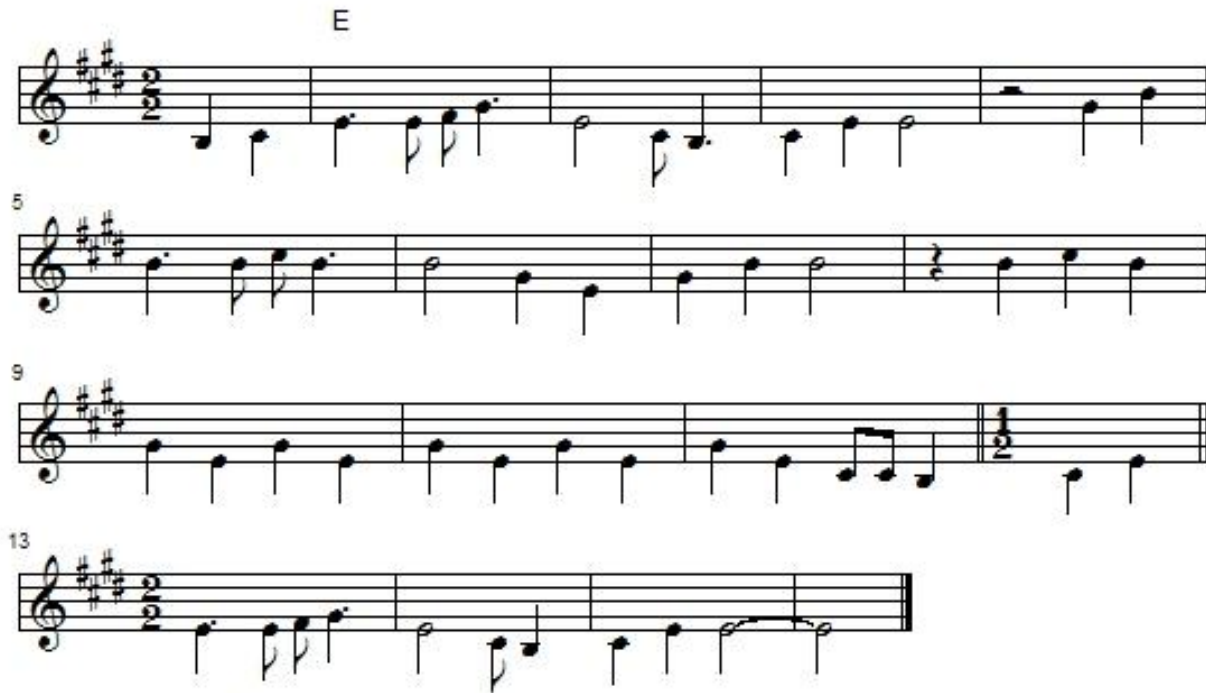


It's A Shame to Whip Your Wife on Sunday

Fiddlin' John Carson



1. Well, it's a shame to whip your wife on Sunday.
Yes, it's a shame to whip your wife on Sunday.
When you've got Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday, Friday, Saturday
It's a shame to whip your wife on Sunday.
2. It's a shame to play cards on Sunday
It's a shame to play cards on Sunday
When you've got Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday, Friday, Saturday,
It's a shame to play cards on Sunday.
3. It's a shame to get drunk on Sunday.
Yes, it's a shame to get drunk on Sunday.
When you've got Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday, Friday, Saturday
It's a shame to get drunk on Sunday.

(repeat first verse)

A satire on the "take warning" genre of folk songs. The joke comes in the third line and is pretty well worn out in subsequent verses.

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