One, two, three O'Leary

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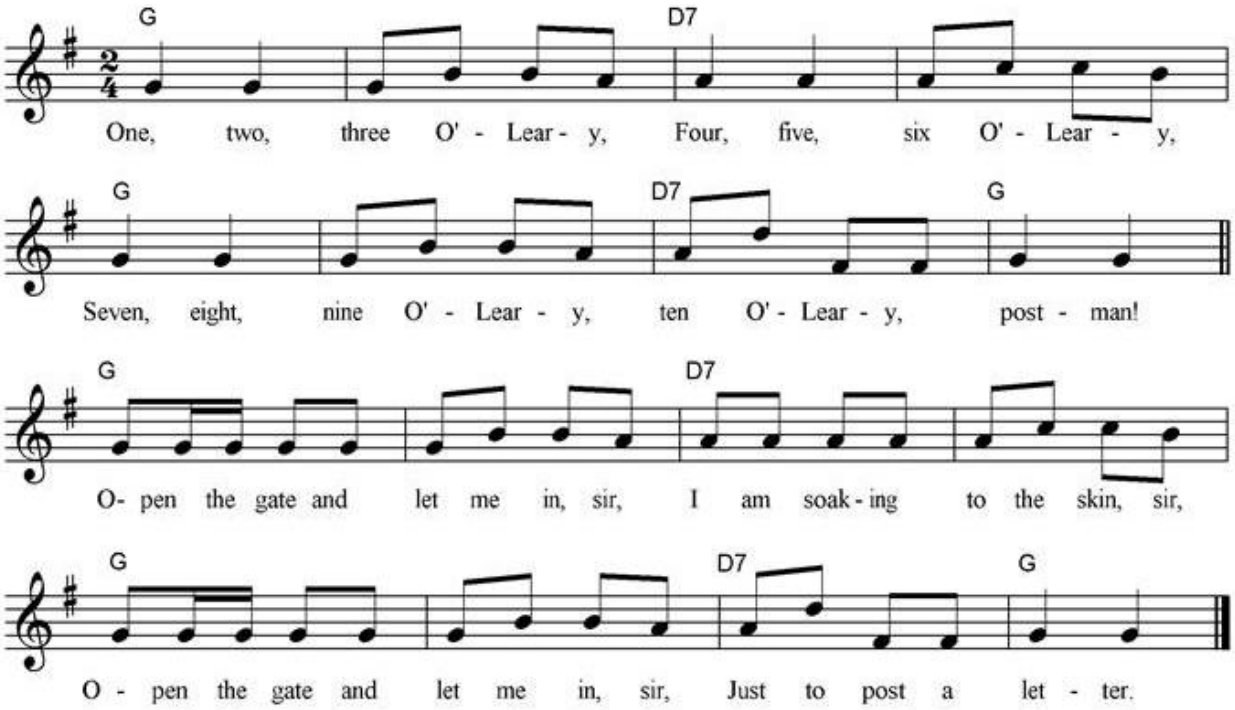
A playground chant and ball game that has been heard in various forms throughout Ireland and Scotland; this one with slight modifications comes from the streets of Dublin, around the 1930s and was recorded by Dominic Behan on 'The singing streets'. Find out more at: http://mudcat.org/thread.cfm?threadid=11034

The ball is bounced to the chant and when O'Leary is sung the leg is passed over the ball. It can also be played with two balls up against a wall.



One, two, three O'Leary,
Four, five, six O'Leary,
Seven, eight, nine O'Leary,
Ten O'Leary, postman!

Open the gate and let me in, sir,
I am soaking to the skin, sir,
Open the gate and let me in, sir,
Just to post a letter.
La, la, la, la....





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