

Call Me Hangin' Johnny

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Source:
Lydia Parrish
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Andante moderato

Solo *Group*

Call me hang - in' John - ny O hang boys hang,

Solo *Group*

You call me hang - in' John - ny O hang boys hang.

Solo *Group*

2. Yes, I nev - er hang no - bod - y O hang boys hang,

Solo *Group*

I nev - er hang no - bod - y O hang boys hang.

3. O we'll heave and haul together
O hang boys hang.
We heave and haul forever
O hang boys hang.
4. They call me hangin' Johnny
O hang boys hang.
O I never hang nobody
O hang boys hang.

Background Information

This song was used in loading lumber, when six men on each side of the rope hauled on the block and tackle in putting a great "stick" (a piece of timber 16" by 16", and 40 feet long) in place on board a vessel.