Sailing on the Ocean

1. Sail-ing on the o-cean, the tide rolls high,

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You can get a pret-ty girl by and by.

2. Got me a pretty girl, stay all day, (3x)
   We don't care what the others say.

3. Eight in a boat, and it won't go 'round, (3x)
   You can leave the pretty girl you just found.

Game Directions (from informant)

Formation: single circle with four boys in the center.

Action:
Verse 1. Players in the outside circle join hands and circle clockwise while the boys in the center face toward the outer circle, join hands, and circle counterclockwise.

Verse 2. All players drop hands and both circles walk counterclockwise. Each boy in the center chooses from the outer circle the girl nearest him, and walks beside her until the end of the verse.

Verse 3. Each boy puts his partner on his right and all eight join hands in inner circle moving counterclockwise while the outer circle moves clockwise. On the word "leave" the boy leaves his partner in the center and goes to the outer circle.

The game is repeated with the girls in the center and the words are changed by substituting "handsome boy" for "pretty girl".

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