Shovel-nose Canoe

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Watch that rock!
Pole! Pull! Go!
Bail! Bail! Bail!
Don't go slow!

Come again salmon.
Come next year.
We'll prepare our hearts.
We'll prepare our gear.
Good-hearted fishermen.
Lots of prayer.
Lots of fish.
Lots of care.

Cross the river.
Portage now.
Go again. Go again.
Nice fish! Wow!
There they are.
Here's the spear.
Salmon swimming.
Oh, so near.

Nice and shallow,
Crystal clear.
Aim... Wait... Aim... Wait...
Spear! Quick! Spear!