

Scottish proverbs

- A child may have too much of his mother's tit.
 - A day to come seems longer than a year that's gone.
 - A dry Lent, a fertile year.
 - A penny saved is a penny gained.
 - A thistle is a fat salad for an ass's mouth.
 - Be happy while you're living, for you're a long time dead.
 - Better be ill spoken of by one before all than by all before one.
 - Better bend than break.
 - Better keep the devil at the door than turn him out of the house.
 - Bring a cow into the hall and she'll run the byre.
 - Confessed faults are half-mended.
 - Cutting out well is better than sewing up well.
 - Early to bed early to rise makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise.
 - Every fisher loves best the trout that is of his own tickling.
 - Finders keepers, losers weepers.
 - Fools look to tomorrow; wise men use tonight.
 - Fur coat and nae knickers
 - He that has one sheep in the flock will like all the rest the better for it.
 - He that loves law will get his fill of it.
 - It is ill fishing if the hook is bare.
 - It's an ill wind that blows naebody any good.
 - It's sin and not poverty that makes men miserable.
 - Learn young, learn fair; learn old, learn more.
 - Many haws, many snows.
 - Money is flat and was meant to be piled up.
 - Never go to the devil and a dish-clout in your hand.
 - Never marry for money. Ye'll borrow it cheaper.
 - *One for sorrow, two for joy,
Three for a girl, four for a boy.
Five for silver, six for gold,
And seven for a secret that must never be told.*
- superstition relating to how many magpies one might observe at any given time.
- One may ride a free horse to death.
 - Open confession is good for the soul.
 - Red sky at night, Shepherds Delight; Red sky in the morning, Shepherds Warning.

- **The first dish pleaseth all.**
- **They are good that are away.**
- **To marry is to halve your rights and double your duties.**
- **Twelve highlanders and a bagpipe make a rebellion.**
- **Willful waste makes woeful want.**
- **What bates one, banes another.**
- **What may be done at any time will be done at no time.**
- **When all fruits fails, welcome haws.**
- **What's before you will not go by you.**