

Where Ya Goin'?

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Echidna headed off in his rickety old bus with a big bag of marshmallows.

First, he came across Galah playing his electric guitar.

'Where ya goin'?' squawked Galah.

'Not very far.'

'May I come?'

'Sure. Hop on board and play a song.'

The two stopped to see Emu making a brew.

'Where ya goin'?' enquired Emu.

'Timbuktu and Woolloomooloo.'

'Is there room for me too?'

'Yeah, join the queue and bring your brew.'

The three drove up to Wombat wearing a party hat.

'Where ya goin'?' wondered Wombat.

'Round the bend and back again.'

'May I join the gang?'

'Certainly, bring your hat and boomerang.'

The four saw Koala and Dingo playing bingo.

'Where ya goin'?' howled Dingo.

'As far as this old beast will carry us.'

'By jingo, can *we* board the bus?'

'If ya bring your game, there'll be no fuss.'

The six spotted Snake by the lake, baking a cake.

'Where issss ya goin'?' hissed Snake.

'There and back to see how far it is.'

'Sounds like something I don't wanna missss.'

'Bring your cake, it'll be bliss.'

The seven sighted Skink wearing pink zinc.

'Where ya goin'?' slinked Skink.

'Out and about, what-da-ya think?'

'Thirsty work, do you need a drink?'

'Okay, hop in and give us a wink.'

The eight came upon Croc snacking on a rock.

'Where ya goin'?' quizzed Croc.

'Back of nowhere.'

'Can you take me there?'

'All right, we see you have snacks to share.'

The nine bumped into Bandicoot with some Kiwi fruit.

'Where ya goin'?' bellowed Bandicoot.

'Just doin' a loop.'

'Okay if I join the group?'

'Beaut, bring the fruit, it'll be a hoot.'

The ten reached Parrot munching a carrot.

'Where ya goin'?' screeched Parrot.

'To see a man about a horse.'

'Can I come? I can bring some sauce.'

'Why of course.'

The eleven noticed Pademelon carrying a watermelon.

'Where ya goin'?' posed Pademelon.

'Woop Woop.'

'Where's that?'

'Just past the black stump.'

'Sounds like fun. I wanna come.'

'No worries. That watermelon sure looks yum.'

At sunset, the bus load of twelve arrived in Timbuktu,
where Kangaroo was having a bar-b-que.

'Hey, Echidna did ya bring the mallows?'

'Sure did. I also bought some gals and fellas.

Just a few extras, I hope you don't mind.'

'Nah, park the bus, that's just fine.'

Each guest added a treat, and they had a good time.

They helped Echidna put mallows on every single spine.

He stood close to the fire till those mallows were cooked right.

There was enough for everyone, and they partied all night.

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