

MAKING WAVES

(JMF 2025/2026) WORDBOOK

Song 1: Under the Sea

The seaweed is always greener in somebody else's lake.
You dream about going up there, but that is a big mistake.
Just look at the world around you, right here on the ocean floor.
Such wonderful things surround you, what more is you lookin' for?

Under the sea, under the sea,
Darlin' it's better down where it's wetter, take it from me.
Up on the shore they work all day;
Out in the sun they slave away.
While we devotin' full time to floatin' under the sea.

Down here all the fish is happy as off through the waves dey roll.
The fish on the land ain't happy; they sad 'cos they in the bowl.
But fish in the bowl is lucky, they in for a worsen fate.
One day when the boss get hungry, guess who gon' be on the plate?

Under the sea, under the sea,
Nobody beat us, fry us or eat us in fricassee.
We what the land folks love to cook;
Under the sea we off the hook.
We got no troubles, life is the bubbles under the sea.
Under the sea.
Since life is sweet here we got the beat here naturally.
Even the sturgeon an' the ray
They get the urge to start to play.
We got the spirit, you got to hear it under the sea.

The newt play the flute, the carp play the harp;
The plaice play the bass and they soundin' sharp.
The bass play the brass, the chub play the tub;
The fluke is the duke of soul.
The ray he can play, the lings on the strings;
The trout rockin' out, the blackfish she sings.
The smelt and the sprat they know where it's at;
An' oh that blowfish blow!

Under the sea, under the sea,
When the sardine begin the beguine, it's music to me.
What do they got, a lot of sand;
We got a hot crustacean band.
Each little clam here know how to jam here under the sea.
Each little slug here cuttin' a rug here, under the sea.
Each little snail here know how to wail here,
That's why it's hotter under the water.
Ya we in luck here down in the muck here. Under the sea!

Song 2: Lighthouse Keeper

Ah, Ah, Ah,
Happy as I can be, I am by the sea,

I live in a lighthouse, I see sea every day,
I help all the fishes wiggle, I sing ships on their way.

The sea is big, the sky is big and I am very small.
The sea is big, the sky is huge and I am very small.

But the tower stands so tall and high
And all the while the light shines bright
So all of us across the world,
By sea or on land,
Can keep safe, sleep safe, snoring safe,
I keep the light burning, burning.

Ah, Ah, Ah,
Happy as I can be, I am by the sea,

I live in a lighthouse, (I see *pt 1 only*) sea every day,
I help all the fishes wiggle, (I *pt 1 only*) sing ships on their way.

The sea is big, the sky is big and I am very small.
The sea is big, the sky is huge and I am very small.

But the tower stands so tall and high
And all the while the light shines bright
So all of us on open seas,
In gales or tucked in bed,
Can keep safe, sleep safe, snoring safe.

Song 3: Michael row the wide water

Michael row the boat ashore, hallelujah.
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Sister help to trim the sail, hallelujah.
Sister help to trim the sail, hallelujah.

Jordan's river is chilly and cold, hallelujah.
Chills the body but not the soul, hallelujah.

The water's wide I can't cross over,
And neither have I wings to fly.
Give me a boat than can carry two,
We both shall row, my love and I.

(all singing but in canon part 2 first)

I see a ship upon the sea,
It's loaded deep, as deep can be.
But not as deep as the love I'm in,
I know not if I sink or swim.

Part 1 (at the same time as part 2):

The river is deep, the river is wide, hallelujah,
Milk and honey on the other side, hallelujah.
And show the best that I can be. Hallelujah!

Part 2 (at the same time as part 1):

As I look out across the sea
A bright horizon beckons me.
It calls my soul to be proud and free,
And show the best that I can be.
And show the best that I can be. Hallelujah!

Song 4: Octopus's Garden

I'd like to be under the sea

In an octopus's garden in the shade.
He'd let us in, knows where we've been
In his octopus's garden in the shade.
I'd ask my friends to come and see an octopus's garden with me.
I'd like to be under the sea
In an octopus's garden in the shade.

We would be warm below the storm
In our little hideaway beneath the waves.
Resting our head on the sea bed
In an octopus's garden near a cave.
We would sing and dance around because we know we can't be found.
I'd like to be under the sea
In an octopus's garden in the shade.

We would shout and swim about the coral that lies beneath the waves.
Oh what joy for ev'ry girl and boy,
Knowing they're happy and they're safe.
We would be so happy you and me.
No-one there to tell us what to do.
I'd like to be under the sea
In an octopus's garden with you.
In an octopus's garden with you.
In an octopus's garden with you.

OCEAN COMMOTION

Song 5: Wonders of the Ocean *(Part 1 sing top vocal line, Part 2 sing bottom vocal line where it splits on the recording)*

Welcome to the wonders of the ocean.
Welcome to the splendours of the sea.
It's a place where we can be,
Living wild and swimming free,
In a wonderworld under the sea.

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Song 6: Ocean Commotion

NB We are repeating the first 2 lines of this song as per below, but it is only sung once on the recording so please ensure you do the repeat when rehearsing with your choirs

All:

Ocean commotion, catastrophe at sea.
They lay the blame on me!
Ocean commotion, catastrophe at sea.
They lay the blame on me!

Part 1 (at the same time as part 2):

When there's been a big commotion
Way down underneath the ocean
Everybody lays the blame on me.
Someone drops in for a swim
And hops right out without a limb,
And everybody lays the blame on me.

I'm sick of being picked on and I'm tired of snide remarks.
I've never heard a pleasant word about the poor old sharks.

(sung very quietly) Ocean commotion, catastrophe at sea.
They lay the blame on me!
Ocean commotion, catastrophe at sea.
They lay the blame on me!

I'm sick of being picked on and I'm tired of snide remarks.
I've never heard a pleasant word about the poor old sharks.

Part 2 (at the same time as part 1):

(sung very quietly) Ocean commotion, catastrophe at sea.
They lay the blame on me!
Ocean commotion, catastrophe at sea.

They lay the blame on me!

I'm sick of being picked on and I'm tired of snide remarks.
I've never heard a pleasant word about the poor old sharks.

But nothing could be ruder
Than a moody barracuda,
And the starfishes are vicious as can be.
When lobsters are unhappy
They get horrible and snappy,
All the same they always lay the blame on me.

I'm sick of being picked on and I'm tired of snide remarks.
I've never heard a pleasant word about the poor old sharks.

All:

Nowadays it's trendy
To be very dolphin friendly,
And the seals are quite appealing I agree.
They lock you up in jail
If you so much as touch a whale,
But no-one ever thinks of saving poor old me.

I'm sick of being picked on and I'm tired of snide remarks.
I've never heard a pleasant word about the poor old sharks.

So when there's been a big commotion
Way down underneath the ocean
Think before you lay the blame on me.
I'm only doing what comes nat'rally.
So pick on other fishes in the sea. NOT ME!

Song 7: Big Bad Lad of the Ocean

I come from a very old family,
For millions of years we've been at sea.
We've been accused, maligned and abused,
But they'll never get the better of me.

'Cos I'm the big bad lad of the ocean, I'm the mean machine of the sea.
You never know which way I'll go, so don't get too close to me.
I never show my emotions, I'm the coldest fish in the sea.
You never know which way I'll go, so don't get too close to me.

The whole of my life I can never sleep,
Patrolling the ocean all alone.
The day that I stop is the day that I drop
To the bottom of the sea like a stone.

'Cos I'm the big bad lad of the ocean, I'm the mean machine of the sea.
You never know which way I'll go, so don't get too close to me.
I never show my emotions, I'm the coldest fish in the sea.
You never know which way I'll go, so don't get too close to me.
Don't get too close to me.
Big bad lad of the sea. **(spoken)** That's me!

Song 8: Synchronised Swimmers

Everything we do we do in unison.
Everywhere we go we go as one.
A thousand of a kind forever entwined.
Stop, and carry on.

Scattering our pattern in the water.
Climbing to the top and diving down.
A cloud of silver fish with simply one wish.
Stop, and turn around.

We are the synchronized swimmers of the sea.
Travel the ocean in parallel motion.
Everything we do we do in unison.
Everywhere we go we go as one.
A thousand of a kind forever entwined.
Stop, and carry on.
Stop, and now we're gone.

REPEAT whole song

Song 9: Night Migration (*chanted*)

Part 2:

Every evening when it's late the creatures of the sea migrate.
Up to the surface they all climb and gather there for feeding time.

All:

Go with the flow, go with the flow, rush to the top of the sea.
Go with the flow, go with the flow, rush to the top of the sea.

Part 1:

A billion krill are followed by a million hungry little fry.
The middle-sized are next in line, with the greatest coming up behind.

All:

Go with the flow, go with the flow, rush to the top of the sea.
Go with the flow, go with the flow, rush to the top of the sea.

Part 2:

A hundred herrings helter-skelter helplessly seeking somewhere to shelter
For lurking nearby in the dark there waits a very fierce shark!

All:

Go with the flow, go with the flow, rush to the top of the sea.
Go with the flow, go with the flow, rush to the top of the sea.

Part 1:

Giant squid and fish that fly observe a mighty whale go by.
And now the surface of the sea is seething with activity.

All:

Go with the flow, go with the flow, rush to the top of the sea.
Go with the flow, go with the flow, rush to the top of the sea.

Creatures meeting, greeting, eating, biting, fighting and retreating.
Find your food and grab it fast. Don't let this supper be your last.

Go with the flow, go with the flow, rush to the top of the sea.
Go with the flow, go with the flow, rush to the top of the sea.
GO WITH THE FLOW!

Song 10: Blue Whale

NB We aren't singing verse 2 (after 'nine to five') but it is on the CD so please ignore when rehearsing

Blue Whale living in the deep green sea.
Wish you could answer my questions. Wish you could speak to me.
If you're so smart how can it be you play all day beneath the sea,
While we must strive to stay alive, working from nine to five?

Blue Whale living in the deep green sea.
Wish you could answer my questions. Wish you could speak to me.
If you're as clever as they say how come you never stay away
From whaling boats, when they attack, why do you not fight back?

Then the Blue Whale sighed as she replied:

(Part 1 sing top vocal line; Part 2 sing bottom vocal line as per song 5 'Wonders of the Ocean')

Making war is only for the foolish.

Fighting force with force is not the way.

We have learned to understand the language of the land.

Now it's their turn to hear what we say.

No-one on this planet is an island.

Each one has a special part to play.

We have learned to understand the language of the land.

Now it's their turn to hear what we say.

Welcome to the wonders of the ocean.

Welcome to the splendours of the sea.

It's a place where we can be living wild and swimming free

In a wonderworld under the sea.

Song 11: Be Cool

Be cool, be green, and get our world clean.

Pollution's mean, not always seen.

Be cool, be kind, get some peace of mind

And leave a better world behind.

Look here, look there, let's all be aware,

Listen to the warning, global warming, be cool.

The time is here to change our idea,

And start to clear the atmosphere.

It's good to meet where the air is sweet,

Sit back, relax, turn down the heat.

Look here, look there, let's all be aware,
Listen to the warning, global warming, be cool, be cool, be cool, be cool.

Song 12: Keep it Good

I know what the clouds are.
The clouds bring the rain, the clouds bring the snow.
Fresh rain, white snow on the ground,
Without the clouds these things could never be found.

I know what the sky is.
The sky brings the night, the sky brings the day.
Cool night, warm day all around,
Without the sky these things could never be found.

I know what the world is.
The world is a part of the Universe.
Keep it good.

Song 13: How Far I'll Go

I've been staring at the edge of the water
Long as I can remember, never really knowing why.
I wish I could be the perfect daughter
But I come back to the water, no matter how hard I try.

Every turn I take, every trail I track,
Every path I make, every road leads back
To the place I know, where I cannot go, where I long to be.

See the line where the sky meets the sea? It calls me.
And no one knows, how far it goes.
If the wind in my sail on the sea stays behind me,

One day I'll know
If I go, there's just no telling how far I'll go.

I know everybody on this island seems so happy on this island.
Everything is by design.
I know everybody on this island has a role on this island,
So maybe I can roll with mine

I can lead with pride. I can make us strong.
I'll be satisfied if I play along,
But the voice inside sings a different song.
What is wrong with me?

See the light as it shines on the sea: it's blinding.
But no one knows, how deep it goes.
And it seems like it's calling out to me, so come find me,
And let me know
What's beyond that line? Will I cross that line?
The line where the sky meets the sea, it calls me.
And no one knows, how far it goes.
If the wind in my sail on the sea stays behind me,
One day I'll know how far I'll go!

Song 14: Sea Shanty Medley

Shanty number 1 (Wellerman)

All:

There once was a ship that put to sea,
The name of the ship was the Billy-O'-Tea.
The winds blew up, her bow dipped down,
O blow, my bully boys, blow.
Soon may the Wellerman come to bring us sugar and tea and rum.
One day, when the tonguin' is done, we'll take our leave and go.

Before the boat had hit the water,
The whale's tail came up and caught her.
All hands to the side, harpooned and fought her
When she dived down low.
Soon may the Wellerman come to bring us sugar and tea and rum.

One day, when the tonguin' is done, we'll take our leave and go.

As far as I've heard, the fight's still on;
The line's now cut and the whale's now gone.
The Wellerman makes his regular call
To encourage the Captain, crew, and all.
Soon may the Wellerman come to bring us sugar and tea and rum.
One day, when the tonguin' is done, we'll take our leave and go.

Shanty number 2 (Roll the old chariot along)

A drop of Nelson's blood wouldn't do us any harm!
Oh a drop of Nelson's blood wouldn't do us any harm!
A drop of Nelson's blood wouldn't do us any harm!
And we'll all hang on behind.

Roll the old chariot along, we'll roll the old chariot along,
We'll roll the old chariot along and we'll all hang on behind.

A week on shore wouldn't do us any harm,
A week on shore wouldn't do us any harm,
A week on shore wouldn't do us any harm,
And we'll all hang on behind.

Part 1 (at the same time as part 2):

Roll, we'll roll, we'll roll and we'll all hang on behind.

Part 2 (at the same time as part 1):

Roll the old chariot along, we'll roll the old chariot along,
We'll roll the old chariot along and we'll all hang on behind.

Shanty number 3 (Drunken Sailor)

All:

What shall we do with the drunken sailor?
What shall we do with the drunken sailor?
What shall we do with the drunken sailor early in the morning?

Hooray and up she rises,
Hooray and up she rises,
Hooray and up she rises early in the morning.

Pull out the plug and wet him all over,
Pull out the plug and wet him all over,
Pull out the plug and wet him all over early in the morning.

Part 1 (at the same time as part 2):

Hooray and up she rises,
Hooray and up she rises,
Hooray and up she rises early in the morning.

Roll the old chariot along, we'll roll the old chariot along,
We'll roll the old chariot along and we'll all hang on behind.

Roll the old chariot along, we'll roll the old chariot along,
We'll roll the old chariot along and we'll all hang on behind.

Roll the old chariot along, we'll roll the old chariot along,
We'll roll the old chariot along and we'll all hang on behind.

Hooray and up she rises.....early in the morning.
Early in the morning, early in the morning.
(spoken) HOORAY!

Part 2 (at the same time as part 1):

Drunken sailor, drunken sailor,
Drunken sailor, early in the morning.

Hooray and up she rises,
Hooray and up she rises,
Hooray and up she rises early in the morning.
Hooray and up she rises,
Hooray and up she rises,
Hooray and up she rises early in the morning.

Hooray and up she rises,
Hooray and up she rises,
Hooray and up she rises early in the morning.

Hooray and up she rises.....early in the morning.
Early in the morning, early in the morning.
(spoken) HOORAY!

Song 15: Count on me

All:

If you ever find yourself stuck in the middle of the sea,
I'll sail the world to find you.
If you ever find yourself lost in the dark and you can't see.
I'll be the light to guide you.
We find out what we're made of when we are called to help a friend in need.

You can count on me like 'One, two, three'
I'll be there, and I know when I need it
I can count on you like 'Four, three, two'
And you'll be there, 'cos that's what friends are s'posed to do, oh yeah.
Ooh, ooh, yeah, yeah.

If you're tossin' and you're turnin' and you just can't fall asleep,
I'll sing a song beside you.
And if you ever forget how much you really mean to me,
Ev'ry day I will remind you.
We find out what we're made of when we are called to help a friend in need.

You can count on me like 'One, two, three'

I'll be there, and I know when I need it
I can count on you like 'Four, three, two'
And you'll be there, 'cos that's what friends are s'posed to do, oh yeah.
Ooh, ooh, yeah, yeah.

Part 1 (at the same time as part 2):

You'll always have my shoulder when you cry.
I'll never let go, never say goodbye.
You know you can count on me like 'One, two, three'
I'll be there, and I know when I need it
I can count on you like 'Four, three, two'
And you'll be there, 'cos that's what friends are s'posed to do, oh yeah.
Ooh, ooh, you can count on me 'cos I can count on
Count on me like 'One, two, three'. I'll be there.
Count on me like 'One, two, three'. I'll be there.
You can count on me 'cos I can count on you.

Part 2 (at the same time as part 1):

Ooh, ooh, ooh, ooh, ooh, ooh, ooh.
You know you can count on me like 'One, two, three'
I'll be there, and I know when I need it
I can count on you like 'Four, three, two'
And you'll be there, 'cos that's what friends are s'posed to do, oh yeah.
Ooh, ooh, you can count on me 'cos I can count on you.
I'll be there, 'cos that's what friends are s'posed to do, oh yeah
I'll be there. You can count on me 'cos I can count on you.

Song 16: Why we Sing

A sound of hope, a sound of peace,
A sound that celebrates and speaks what we believe.
A sound of love, a sound so strong.
It's amazing what is given when we share a song.

This is why we sing, why we lift our voice,
Why we stand as one in harmony.
This is why we sing, why we lift our voice.
Take my hand and sing with me.

Soothe a soul, mend a heart,
Bring together lives that have been torn apart.
Share the joy, find a friend,
It's a never-ending gift that circles back again.

This is why we sing, why we lift our voice,
Why we stand as one in harmony.
This is why we sing, why we lift our voice.
Take my hand and sing with me.

Music builds a bridge, it can tear down a wall.
Music is a language that can speak to one and all!

This is why we sing, why we lift our voice,
Why we stand as one in harmony.
This is why we sing, why we lift our voice.
Take my hand and sing with me.
This is why we sing! We sing! We sing!