

Day oh! / banana boat song

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*A traditional Jamaican folk work song that is often sung as a call and response.
Another calypso from my Birmingham teaching days in the 1960s.*

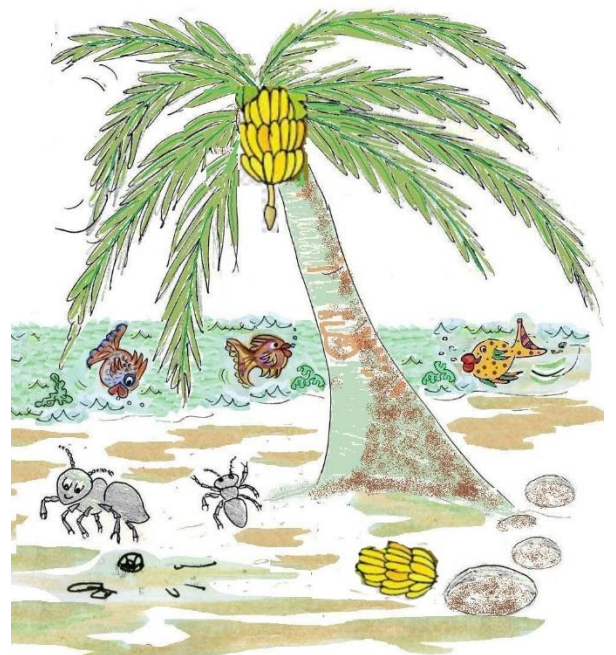
Day oh! Day oh! Day - light come an' I wan - na go home. wan - na go home.

Work all night 'til the morn - ing comes Day - light come an' I wan - na go home. wan - na go home.
Stack ba - na - na 'til

Come Mis - ter tal - ly man tal - ly me ba - na - nas, Day - light come an' I wan - na go home. wan - na go home. Lift

one bunch, two bunch, three bunch, four, Day - light come an' I wan - na go home. wan - na go home.
five bunch, six bunch, count some more,

Day oh! Day oh! Day - light come an' I wan - na go home. wan - na go home.



Day oh! Day oh!
Daylight come and I wanna go home,
Day oh! Day oh!
Daylight come and I wanna go home.

Work all night till morning comes,
Daylight come and I wanna go home,
Stack bananas till morning comes,
Daylight come and I wanna go home.

Come Mister Tally Man, tally me bananas,
Daylight come and I wanna go home,
Come Mister Tally Man, tally me bananas,
Daylight come and I wanna go home.
Day oh! Day oh!
Daylight come and I wanna go home,
Day oh! Day oh!
Daylight come and I wanna go home.

Lift one bunch, two bunch, three bunch, four,
Daylight come and I wanna go home,
Lift five bunch, six bunch, count some more,
Daylight come and I wanna go home.
Day oh! Day oh!...

Seven bunch, eight 'til my arms are sore,
Daylight come and I wanna go home,
Nine bunch, ten bunch, go back for more,
Daylight come and I wanna go home.
Day oh! Day oh!...

A beautiful bunch of ripe bananas.
Daylight come and I wanna go home,
Hide the deadly black tarantula,
Daylight come and I wanna go home.
Day oh! Day oh!...