



CELEBRATING CARICOM

Verse 1

From many distant lands, our fore fathers came,
Some seeking adventure, some bound in chains;
Through battles waged and fought,
Through victory and pain,
By test of their courage
Our freedom was gained.
In homage to those gone before us,
The heroes of lands in the sun;
We vow to join hands and to focus
On building one Caribbean.

Chorus

Raise your voices high,
Sing of your Caribbean pride!
Sing it loud and strong,
Feel our hearts beat as one.
Celebrate in song,
As we rise to heights where we belong,
Sound the victory drum
For CARICOM!

Verse 2

Though great and diverse be our ethnicities,
The bonds that unite us are stronger than these,
We dine we pray we love, we dance and we play,
We relate to each other the West Indian way.
Today as people united
Determined and steadfast we stand,
We look to a brand new horizon
The future now firmly in our hands.

Chorus

Bridge

Hélé hélé bwavo (Shout Bravo)!
Opo yu stem CARICOM (Raise your voices CARICOM)!
Lévé lévé vwa'w (Raise your Voices)!
Naki yu dron CARICOM (Beat your drum CARICOM)!
Tanbouyé tanbou a wo (Drummer, drum woh)!
Opo you stem CARICOM (Raise your voices CARICOM)!
Lévé lévé vwa'w (Raise your voices)!

Chorus

Bridge