

(Once in a lifetime) let the water hold me down
(Letting the days go by) water flowing underground

[NOTE: The video cut a couple of verses, including "WATER DISSOLVING!"]

A PEOPLE'S CHOIR DC

Looking Back / Looking Ahead

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Changes – David Bowie

Still don't know what I was waiting for
And my time was running wild
A million dead-end streets and
Every time I thought I'd got it made
It seemed the taste was not so sweet
So I turned myself to face me
But I've never caught a glimpse
Of how the others must see the faker
I'm much too fast to take that test

Ch-ch-ch-ch-changes
(Turn and face the strange) Ch-ch-changes
Don't want to be a richer man
Ch-ch-ch-ch-changes (Turn and face the strange)
Ch-ch-changes
Just gonna have to be a different man
Time may change me, but I can't trace time

I watch the ripples change their size
But never leave the stream
Of warm impermanence and
So the days float through my eyes
But still the days seem the same
And these children that you spit on
As they try to change their worlds
Are immune to your consultations
They're quite aware of what they're going through

Ch-ch-ch-ch-changes
(Turn and face the strange) Ch-ch-changes
Don't tell them to grow up and out of it
Ch-ch-ch-ch-changes
(Turn and face the strange) Ch-ch-changes
Where's your shame
You've left us up to our necks in it
Time may change me
But you can't trace time

Strange fascination, fascinating me
Ah, changes are taking the pace I'm goin' through

Ch-ch-ch-ch-changes
(Turn and face the strange) Ch-ch-changes
Ooo, look out you rock 'n rollers
Ch-ch-ch-ch-changes
(Turn and face the strange) Ch-ch-changes
Pretty soon now you're gonna get older

Time may change me
But I can't trace time
I said that time may change me
But I can't trace tiiiiiiime

** 10-minute singing break **

1999 – Prince

I was dreamin' when I wrote this, forgive me if it goes astray
But when I woke up this mornin'
Could have sworn it was Judgment Day

The sky was all purple, there were people runnin' everywhere
Tryin' to run from the destruction
You know I didn't even care

They say two thousand zero, zero
Party over, oops, out of time

So tonight I'm gonna party like it's 1999

I was dreamin' when I wrote this, so sue me if I go too fast
But life is just a party, and parties weren't meant to last

War is all around us, my mind says prepare to fight
So if I gotta die, I'm gonna listen to my body tonight
Yeah-ea-ea-ea-eah

They say two thousand zero, zero
Party over, oops, out of time
So tonight I'm gonna party like it's 1999

Yeah, yea-eah

Shhhhhot

Let me tell you somethin'
If you didn't come to party, don't bother knockin' on my door
I got a lion in my pocket, and baby, he's ready to roar
Yeah, yeah-eah

Yeah, everybody's got a bomb, we could all die any day, ow
But before I'll let that happen, I'll dance my life away
Whoa-oh oh

They say two thousand zero, zero
Party over

Oops, out of time (We're runnin' outta time)
So tonight I'm gonna party like it's 1999, ow

Say it one more time
Two thousand zero, zero
Party over

Oops, out of time
So tonight I'm gonna party like it's 1999

1999, don't you wanna go?
1999, don't you wanna go?
1999, we could all die here today

We Used To Wait – Arcade Fire

I used to write
I used to write letters, I used to sign my name
I used to sleep at night
Before the flashing lights settled deep in my brain
But by the time we met
By the time we met, the times had already changed

So I never wrote a letter
I never took my true heart, I never wrote it down
So when the lights cut out
I was left standing in the wilderness downtown

[Chorus:]
Now our lives are changing fast
Now our lives are changing fast
Hope that something pure can last
Hope that something pure can last

It may seem strange
How we used to wait for letters to arrive
But what's stranger still
Is how something so small can keep you alive
We used to wait
We used to waste hours just walking around
We used to wait
All those wasted lives in the wilderness downtown

Ooooo we used to wait
Ooooo we used to wait
Ooooo we used to wait
Sometimes it never came
Ooooo we used to wait

The original A People's Choir is a monthly group sing-along created by Paige Reitz, Adele Hauser, and Decoteau Wilkerson in Portland, Oregon. Every month, a theme is chosen and choir members (i.e., whoever wants to come) suggest songs via social media. The choir simply sings along to the sound recordings- anything goes! The choir began in 2011 out of nostalgia for communal singing. Since the first choir, A People's Choir has hosted choirs at PSU's Open Engagement, New York's Art in Odd Places festival, Last Thursdays on Alberta, PDX Farm Fiesta and monthly at their new venue, Crush Bar. They were also listed as one of the "Best of Portland" by the Willamette Week. Find out more about the Portland choir at: <https://www.facebook.com/APeoplesChoir>

The DC sing-along started in April 2014. You can keep track of events through email (send a note to the email below to get on the list), Twitter, or Facebook.

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Song List

Fly Like An Eagle – Seal (covering Steve Miller Band)
Always Something There To Remind Me – Naked Eyes
(covering Dionne Warwick)

Army – Ben Folds Five
The Future's So Bright – Timbuk 3
In My Life – The Beatles
1979 – Smashing Pumpkins

The Future Freaks Me Out – Motion City Soundtrack

O-o-h Child – The Five Stairsteps

Once In A Lifetime – Talking Heads

Changes – David Bowie

**10-minute intermission*

1999 – Prince

We Used To Wait – Arcade Fire

Back In Time – Huey Lewis and the News

Tomorrow – Silverchair

Hold On – Wilson Philips

All these Things That I've Done – The Killers

I Can See Clearly Now – Jimmy Cliff (covering Johnny Nash)

I Was Here – Beyoncé

Don't Look Back In Anger – Oasis

Don't Stop – Fleetwood Mac

A Change Is Gonna Come – Sam Cooke

Lyrics follow (provided for educational purposes, of course).

Tips:

[words in brackets are notes]

(words in parentheses are for singing)

words not in parentheses are also for singing,
though this was probably intuitive.

Fly Like An Eagle – Seal (Covering Steve Miller Band)

Yeah, think I'd better get up

Doo doo du du, yeah
Doo doo du du, love, love, love
Doo doo du du
Doo doo du du
Love, baby
Doo doo du du

Time keeps on slippin'...into the future

Sayin' - Time keeps on slippin', slippin', slippin'
Into the futuuure, oh

Said I wanna fly like an eagle, to the sea
Fly like an eagle let my spirit carry me, I wanna flyyyyy
Fly right into the future

I wanna feed the babies
Said, who can't get enough to eat, wanna shoe the children
No shoes on their feet
I wanna house the people, livin' in the street
Oh yeah there's a solution
Gimme the reasons baby

Let me fly like an eagle, to the sea
Fly like an eagle let that spirit carry me
I want to flyyyyy, oh yeah
Fly right into the futu-u-ure

Time keeps on slippin', slippin', slippin'
Into the futuuuuure
Time flies don't it baby?
Time keeps on slippin', slippin', slippin'
(Doo doo du-doooo) Into the futuuuuure, ohhh
(Doo doo du-doooo) Time flies don't it baby?

(Doo doo du-du) ohhh
(Doo doo du-du) love, love, love
(Doo doo du-du)
Keep on flying, keep on flying, oh!

(Oooh oooh oooh ooh) Oh yeah, yeah
(Oooh oooh oooh ooh) Think I'd better get up
(Oooh oooh oooh ooh) Don't it baby?
(Oooh oooh oooh ooh)
Hey hey hey hey hey hey hey

[NOTE: the ooh's continue in the background]

I wanna flyyyy like an eagle, to the sea (oh no no)
Fly like an eagle let my spirits carry me, I wanna flyyyy
(Breazin' baby) Fly right into the future
(Do we really baby?)
Lemme flyyyy like an eagle (fly like an eaaaagle)
To the sea
Fly like an eagle let that spirit carry me
I want to flyyyyy (fly like an eaaaagle)
Fly right into the future

Ha-ha-ha-ha-high

(Lemme fly like an eagle, to the sea)
In a sky full of people, only some want to fly, isn't that crazy
(Fly like an eagle let that spirit carry me)

I want to flyyyyy (fly like an eaaaagle)
Fly right into the future

Always Something There To Remind Me – Naked Eyes (covering Dionne Warwick)

Sometimes it never came
Ooooo we used to wait
Still moving through the pain
Oooo

I'm gonna write
A letter to my true love, I'm gonna sign my name
Like a patient on a table
I wanna walk again, gonna move through the pain

[Chorus]

Ooooo we used to wait [x3]
Sometimes it never came
Ooooo we used to wait
Sometimes it never came
Ooooo we used to wait
Still moving through the pain
We used to waaaait [x3]

[x2]
We used to wait for it, we used to wait for it
Now we're screamin', sing the chorus again

I used to wait for it, I used to wait for it
Hear my voice screaming, sing the chorus again

Wait for it!
Wait for it!
Wait for it!

Back In Time – Huey Lewis and the News

Tell me, doctor, where are we goin' this time?
Is this the 50s, or 1999?
All I wanted to do
Was play my guitar and sing

[Chorus:]
So take me awa-ay, I don't mind
But you'd better promise me, I'll be back in ti-iime
I gotta get back in time

Don't bet your future
On one roll of the dice
Better remember
Lightning never strikes twice
Please don't drive 88
Don't wanna be late again

[Chorus]

Gotta get back in time
Get me back in time

[Guitar solo]

[Sax solo]

Gotta get back in time
Gotta get back in time
Get back, get back
[Spoken:] (Get back Marty!)

[Interlude/dance break]

Gotta get back in time
Gotta get back in time
Get back, get back

Tomorrow - Silverchair

It's twelve o'clock, and it's a wonderful day
I know you hate me, but I'll ask anyway-y-y-y-y
Won't you come with me, to a place in a little town

The only way to get there's to go straight down
There's no bathroom, and there is no sink
The water out of the tap is very, hard to drink
Very hard to driiiink

[Interlude]

[Chorus:][x2]
Yooooooooooooooou
Wait 'til tomo-o-rrow

You say that money, isn't everything
But I'd like to see you live without it
You think you can keep on goin' living like a king
Ooh babe, but I strongly doubt it

Very hard to dri-iiiiink
Very hard to dri-i-ink

You gonna wait 'til, fat boy
Fat boy, wait 'til tomorrow-o-o-ow
You gonna wait 'til, fat boy
Fat boy, wait 'til tomorrowooooow

[Guitar solo]

[Chorus]

You gonna wait 'til, fat boy
Fat boy, wait 'til tomorrow-o-o-ow
You gonna wait 'til, fat boy
Fat boy, wait 'til tomorrowooooow
Ohh, yeahh

[Note: I was doing some digging for info. about this song and came across an archived 1996 Tiger Beat (!!) interview with the then 16-year-old lead singer Daniel Johns. He confirmed that "fat boy" is in reference to the overindulgence of wealth. That's what he was thinking about at 16, when he had a platinum album while still in high school.]

Hold On – Wilson Philips

I know this pain
Why do lock yourself up in these chains?
No one can change your life except for you
Don't ever let anyone step all over you
Just open your heart and your mind
Is it really fair to feel this way inside?
Whoa-oh

Some day somebody's gonna make you want to
Turn around and say goodbye
Until then baby are you going to let them
Hold you down and make you cry
Don't you know?
Don't you know things can change
Things'll go your way

If you hold on for one more day
Can you hold on for one more day
Things'll go your way
Hold on for one more day

[Instrumental break]

You could sustain
Or are you comfortable with the pain?
You've got no one to blame for your unhappiness
You got yourself into your own mess
Lettin' your worries pass you by
Don't you think it's worth your time
To change your mind?

Some day somebody's gonna make you want to

I walk along the city streets you used to walk along with me
And every step I take reminds me of just how, we used to be

Oh, how can I...forget you, giiirr
When there is always somethin' there to remind me
Always somethin' there to remind me

When shadows fall, I pass a small cafe where we would dance
at night

And I can't help recalling how it felt to kiss and hold you ti-ight
Oh, how can I

Forget you, giiirr
When there is always somethin' there to remind me
Always somethin' there to remind me

I was boooorn to love heeeeer
And I will neeeever be free, you'll always be a part of me
Oh whoa, oh whoa, oh whoa-oa

[Instrumental]

If you should find you miss the sweet and tender love we used
to share
Just go back to the places where we used to go and I'll be there

Oh, how can I
Forget you, giiirr, when there is
Always somethin' there to remind me
Always somethin' there to remind me

I was boooorn to love heeeeer
And I will neeeever be free
You'll always be a part of me

'cause there is
Always somethin' there to remind me [x6]

Army – Ben Folds Five

[Apparently, this video is PG, but ourlyrics are not.]

Well, I thought about the army
Dad said, "Son, you're fuckin' high"
And I thought, yeah, there's a first for everything
So I took my old man's advice

Three sad semesters
It was only 15 grand, spent in bed*
I thought about the army
I dropped out and joined a band instead

[Definitely thought those lyrics included the word "spinnin'" for
some reason]

Grew a mustache and a mullet, got a job at Chick-Fil-A
Citing...artistic differences
The band broke up in May

And in June reformed without me
And they'd got a different name
I nuked another grandma's apple pie
And hung my head in shame, ooooh

I've been thinkin' a lot today
I've been thinkin' a lot today
Ooooh-oh, I think I'll write a screenplaaay
Oooooh-oh, I think I'll take it to L.A.
Oooooh-oh, I think I'll get it done yesterday-a-aaay
Ah, shit

[Piano solo]

[Instrumental]

[No bah-bah-bahs in the video, but feel free to throw them in if
you feel like it.]

In this time of introspection
On the eve of my election
I say to my reflection: God, please spare me more rejection

'Cause my peers they criticize me
And my ex-wives all despise me
Try to put it all behind me
But my redneck past is nipping at my heels

I've been thinking a lot today [x3]
I thought abooooout
The armyyyyy

Future's So Bright I Gotta Wear Shades – Timbuk 3

I study nuclear science, I love my classes
I got a crazy teacher, he wears dark glasses
Things are goin' great, and they're only gettin' better

[Chorus:]
I'm doin' all right, gettin' good grades
The future's so bright, I gotta wear shades
I gotta wear shades

I got a job waitin' for my graduation
Fifty thou a year'll buy a lot of beer
Things are going great, and they're only getting better

[Chorus]

[Harmonica solo]

Well I'm heavenly blessed and worldly wise
I'm a peeping-tom techie with x-ray eyes
Things are goin' great, and they're only getting' better

[Chorus]

Ow ow ah!

[Guitar solo]

[Harmonica enters]

I study nuclear science, I love my classes
I got a crazy teacher, he wears dark glasses
Things are going great, and they're only getting better

[Chorus]

I gotta wear shades
I gotta wear shades

In My Life – The Beatles

There are places I'll remember
All my li-i-i-ife though some have changed
Some forever not for better
Some have go-o-o-one and some remain
All these places had their moments
With lovers and friends
I still can recall
Some are dead and some are living
In my-y-y-y life, I've loved them all

But of all these friends and lovers
There is nooo-o-o one compares with you
And these memories lose their meaning
When I think of love as something new
Though I know I'll never lose affection
For people and things that went before
I know I'll often stop and think about them
In my-y-y-y life, I love you more

Turn around and say goodbye
Until then baby are you going to let them
Hold you down and make you cry
Don't you know? Don't you know things can change
Things'll go your way

If you hold on for one more day
Can you hold on for one more day
Things'll go your way (oh, things'll go your way)
Hold on for one more day

I know that there is pain
But you hold on for one more day and you
Break free from the chains
Yeah I know that there is pain
But you hold on for one more day and you
Break free, break from the chains

Some day somebody's gonna make you want to
Turn around and say goodbye
Until then baby are you going to let them
Hold you down and make you cry
Don't you know?
Don't you know (know) things can change (know)
Things'll go your way
If you hold on for one more day, yeah
If you hold oooooooon

Don't you know things can change
Things'll go your way
If you hold on for one more day
If you hold on

Can you hold on

All These Things That I've Done – The Killers

When there's nowhere else to run
Is there room for one more son?
One more so-o-on
If you can hold on
If you can hold on, hold on

I wanna stand up, I wanna let go
You know, you know; no, you don't, you do-o-on't
I wanna shine on, in the hearts of man
I want a meaning from the back of my broken hand
Another head aches, another heart breaks
I'm so much older than I can ta-a-ake
And my affection, well, it comes and goes
I need direction to perfection, no, no, no, no

Help me out
Ye-e-eah, you know you got to help me out
Ye-e-eah, oh, don't you put me on the back burne-e-er
You know you got to help me out, ye-e-e-eah

And when there's nowhere else to run
Is there room for one more son?
These changes
Ain't changing me
The cold-hearted boy I used to be

Ye-e-eah, you know you got to help me out
Ye-e-eah, oh, don't you put me on the back burne-e-er
You know you got to help me out, ye-e-e-eah
You're gonna bring yourself down
Ye-e-eah, you're gonna bring yourself down
Ye-e-eah, you're gonna bring yourself down

I got soul, but I'm not a soldier [x10]

Time, truth, and hearts

Ye-e-eah, you know you got to help me out

Ye-e-eah, oh, don't you put me on the back burne-e-er
You know you got to help me out, ye-e-eah
You're gonna bring yourself down
Ye-e-eah, you're gonna bring yourself down
Ye-e-eah, oh, don't you put me on the back burne-e-er
You're gonna bring yourself down, ye-e-eah
You're gonna bring yourself down

Over and in, last call for sin
While everyone's lost, the battle is won
With all these things that I've done

All these things that I've done
(Time, truth, and hearts)

If you can hold on
If you can hold on

I Can See Clearly Now – Jimmy Cliff (Covering Johnny Nash)

I can see clearly now the rain is gone
I can see all obstacles in my way
Gone are the da-ark clouds that had me blind
It's gonna be a bright (bright)
Bright (bright) sun-shining day
It's gonna be a bright (bright)
Bright (bright) sun-shining day

Oh, yes, I can make it now, the pain is gone
All of the bad feelings have disappeared
Here is that rainbow I've been praying for
It's gonna be a bright (bright)
Bright (bright) sun-shining day

(Ooh...) Look all around, there's nothing but blue ski-i-ies
Look straight ahead
There's nothing but blue skiii-iiii-iiii-iiii...iiii-iiii-iiiiiiies

I can see clearly now the rain is gone
I can see all obstacles in my way
Here is that rainbow I've been praying for
It's gonna be a bright (bright)
Bright (bright) sun-shining day

It's gonna be a bright (bright)
Bright (bright) sun-shining day

Really, really bright (bright)
Bright (bright) sun-shining day

Yeah, eah, it's gonna be a bright (bright)
Bright (bright) sun-shining day

It's gonna be a bri-i-ight (bright)
Bright (bright) sun-shining day
Yeah now

It's gonna be a bright (bright)
Bright (bright) sun-shining day

Really, really bright (bright)
Bright (bright) sun-shining day

I Was Here – Beyoncé

I wanna leave
My footprints
On the saaaands of time
Know there was somethin' that
Meant somethin' that
I left behind
When I leave this world, I'll leave no regrets
Leave somethin' to remember, so they won't forget
[Chorus:]

[Piano solo. Yes, piano. It's sped up to sound like a harpsichord!]

Though I know I'll never lose affection
For people and things that went before
I know I'll often stop and think about them
In my-y-y-y life I love you more

In my-y-y-y life I love you more

1979 – Smashing Pumpkins

Shakedown, 1979
Cool kids never have the time
On a live wire right up off the street
You and I should meet
Junebug skippin' like a stone
With the headlights pointed at the dawn
We were sure we'd never see an end
To it all

And IIII don't eeeeven care, to shake these zipper blues
And we don't know
Just where our bones will reeeest, to dust I guess
Forgotten and absorbed
Into the earth below

[Interlude]

Double-cross the vacant and the bored
They're not sure just what we have in store
Morphine city slippin' dues
Down to see

That weeee don't eeeeven care
As restless as we are
We feel the pull
In the land of a thousand guiiiiilts
And poured cement
Lamented and assured
To the lights and tooowns below
Faaaaster than the speeeeed of sound
Faaaaster than we thought we'd go-o
Beneath the sound of ho-ope

Justine never knew the rules
Hung down with the freaks and the ghouls
No a-pologies ever need be made
I know you better than you fake it
To see

That weeee don't eeeeven care
To shake these zipper blues
And we don't know
Just where our bones will reeeest
To dust, I guess
Forgotten and absorbed
Into the earth belo-ow

The street heats the urgency of now
As you see there's no-o one around

The Future Freaks Me Out – Motion City Soundtrack

I'm on fire and now I think I'm ready to bust a move
Check it out, I'm rocking steady, go!

Betty won't stop listening to modern rock
How she hates to be alone

I try to compensate her lack of love with coffee cake, ice cream
A bottle of ten dollar wine
She says, "Hey, I rock the Haro Sport
I rock the cowgirl blues
I rock too fast for love
I'm footloose in my Velcro shoes

What's up with Will and Grace?
I don't get drum and bass
The future freaks me out."

[Brief interlude]

[Chorus:]

I'm on fire and now I think I'm ready to bust a move
Check it out, I'm rocking steady
To the beat in my head
It goes oh, oh-oh-oh
I know that she's the only one
I'd rather waste our time together
Yeah, 'cause we can get down

Betty can't quit carvin' question marks in my wrist
How come we're so alone?

We waste away the days with nicotine and television samples
Of an era we hate to admit we embrace
We fail to represent
We fail to be content
We fail at everything we ever even try to attempt
And so the story goes
As only Betty knows
It's time we take control
(Get down)

I'm on fire and now I think I'm ready to bust a move
Check it out, I'm rocking steady
To the beat in my head
It goes oh, oh-oh-oh
I know that she's the only one
I'd rather waste my time with her...

Betty, I need you
I miss you
I'm so alone without you
To call up on the weekends with my cellular phone

Betty, it's so hard to relate
To the whole human race
I don't know where to begin
I don't know where to begin
If we can both find a way
To do the things that we say
We might not sit in our rooms
And drink our daydreams away
Betty, I'm a dreamer
I'm not a vicious schemer
Oh Betty, won't you- ah fuck it

[Chorus]

O-o-h Child – The Five Stairsteps

Ooh child, things are gonna get easier
Ooh child, things'll get brighter
Ooh child, things are gonna get easier
Ooh child, things'll get brighter

Some day, yeah, we'll put it together and we'll get it undone
Some day, when your head is much lighter
Some day, yeah, we'll walk in the rays of a beautiful sun
Some day, when the world is much brighter

Ooh child, things are gonna be easier
Ooh child, things'll be brighter
Ooh child, things are gonna be easier
Ooh child, things'll be brighter

Some day, yeah
We'll put it together and we'll get it undone
Some day, when your head is much lighter
Some day, yeah, we'll walk in the rays of a beautiful sun
Some day, when the world is much brighter

I was he-e-eere (I lived, I loved)
I was he-e-eere (I did, I've done)
Everything that I wanted

And it was more than I thought it would be
I will leave my mark so everyone will know
I was he-e-eere

I wanna say, I lived each day, until I di-i-ie
And know that I, meant somethin' in
Somebody's li-i-i-ife

The hearts I have touched, will be the proof that I leave
That I made a difference
And this world will see

[Chorus][x2]

I just want them to know
That I gave my all, did my best
Brought someone some happiness
Left this world a little better just because
I was here

[Chorus]

I lived (I lived!), I loved
I was he-e-e-e-e-ere
I did (I did!), I've done
I was he-e-e-e-e-ere
I lived (I lived!), I loved (I loved!)
I was here
I did, I've done
I was here

Don't Look Back In Anger – Oasis

Slip inside the eye of your mind
Don't you know you might find
A better place to play
You said that you'd never been
But all the things that you've seen
Will slowly fade away

So I start a revolution from my bed
'Cos you said the brains I had went to my head.
Step outside, summertime's in bloom
Stand up beside the fireplace
Take that look from off your face
You ain't ever gonna burn my heart out

And so Sally can wait
She knows it's too late
As we're walking on by
Her soul slides away
But don't look back in anger
I heard you say

Take me to the place where you go
Where nobody knows
If it's night or day
But please don't put your life in the hands
Of a Rock n Roll band
Who'll throw it all away

I'm gonna start a revolution from my bed
'Cos you said the brains I had went to my head
Step outside 'cos summertime's in bloom
Stand up beside the fireplace
Take that look from off your face
'Cos you ain't ever gonna burn my heart out

So Sally can wait, she knows it's too late as she's walking on by
My soul slides away, but don't look back in anger I heard you
say

[Guitar solo]

So Sally can wait, she knows it's too late as we're walking on by
Her soul slides away, but don't look back in anger I heard you say

So Sally can wait
She knows it's too late as she's walking on by
My soul slides away
But don't look back in anger
Don't look back in anger...
...I heard you say

At least not today

Don't Stop – Fleetwood Mac

If you wake up and don't want to smile
If it takes just a little while
Open your eyes and look at the day
You'll see things in a different way

[Chorus:]
Don't stop thinkin' about tomorrow
Don't stop, it'll soon be here
It'll be-e-e better than before
Yesterday's gone, yesterday's gone

Why not think about times to come?
And not about the things that you've done?
If your life was bad to you
Just think what tomorrow will do

[Chorus]

All I want is to see you smile
If it takes just a little while
I know you don't believe that it's true
I never meant any harm to you

[Chorus][x2]

Ooooh don't you look baaaaack [x4]

A Change is Gonna Come – Sam Cooke

I was boooorn by the river, in a little tent
And just like the river I've been a-runnin', ever since

[Chorus:]
It's been a loooong, a long time comin'
But I know a change gon' come, oh yes it will

It's been tooooo hard living, but I'm afraaaid to diii-i-i-ie
'Cause I don't know what's up the-e-e-ere, beyond the sky

[Chorus]

I gooooo to the movie, and I go downto-o-own
Somebody keep tellin' me do-o-on't
Hang around

[Chorus]

Then I go-o-o-o to my-y-y brother
And I say brother, help me pleeee-e-ease
But he winds up
Knocking me
Back down on my-y-y-y knees, ohhhh

There've been times that I thought
I couldn't laaaast for lo-o-o-o-o-ong
But now I think I'm able to
Carry on

[Chorus]

La la la la
La la la la la-a
La la la la la la la la

Some day, some day, some day, some day yeah
We'll put it together and we'll get it undone
Some day, when your head is much lighter
Some day, yeah, we'll walk in the rays of a beautiful sun
Some day, when the world is much brighter

Ooh child, things are gonna get easier
Ooh child, things'll get brighter
Ooh child, things are gonna get easier
Ooh child, things'll get brighter

Right noooow (ooh yeah)
Right noooow (ooh baby)
(Right now)
And you just wait and see-ee
How things are gonna be
(Right now)
And you just wait and see-ee
How things are gonna be

Once in a Lifetime – Talking Heads

And you may find yourself living in a shotgun shack
And you may find yourself in another part of the world
And you may find yourself behind the wheel of a large automobile

And you may find yourself in a beautiful house,
with a beautiful wife
And you may ask yourself- Well...How did I get here?

[Chorus:]
Letting the days go by/let the water hold me down
Letting the days go by/water flowing underground
Into the blue again/after the money's gone
Once in a lifetime/water flowing underground.

And you may ask yourself, how do I work this?
And you may ask yourself, where is that large automobile?
And you may tell yourself, this is not my beautiful house!
And you may tell yourself, this is not my beautiful wife!

[Chorus]

Same as it ever was... [x8]

[Chorus]

And you may ask yourself, what is that beautiful house?
And you may ask yourself, where does that highway go to?
And you may ask yourself, Am I right?, Am I wrong?
And you may say to yourself
MY GOD!...WHAT HAVE I DONE?

Letting the days go by/let the water hold me down
Letting the days go by/water flowing underground
Into the blue again/in the silent water
Under the rocks and stones/there is water underground.

[Chorus]

Same as it ever was [x3]
Look where my hand was
Time isn't holding up, time isn't after us
Same as it ever was [x2]

[Fading out:]

(Letting the days go by) same as it ever was, same as it ever was
(Letting the days go by) same as it ever was, same as it ever was