

Day O (Banana Boat Song)

Trad. Jamaican, perf 1956 by Harry Belafonte

CHORUS: C G7 C
Day O, Day O . . . (*Daylight come and me wan go home.*)
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Day, me say day, me say day, me say day, me say day,
C G7 C
me say day . . . O . . . (*Daylight come and me wan go home.*)

C G7 C
Work all night 'til the mornin' come. (*Daylight come and me wan go home.*)
C G7 C
Stack banana 'til the mornin' come. (*Daylight come and me wan go home.*)
C G7 C G7 C
Come Mr. Tallyman, tally me banana (*Daylight come and me wan go home.*)
C G7 C G7 C
Come Mr. Tallyman, tally me banana (*Daylight come and me wan go home.*)

C G7 C
Lift six hand, 7 hand, 8 hand bunch (*Daylight come and me wan go home.*)
C G7 C
Six hand, 7 hand, 8 hand bunch (*Daylight come and me wan go home.*)

CHORUS

C G7 C
A beautiful bunch a ripe banana (*Daylight come and me wan go home.*)
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A beautiful bunch a ripe banana (*Daylight come and me wan go home.*)
C G7 C
Lift 6 hand, 7 hand, 8 hand bunch (*Daylight come and me wan go home.*)
C G7 C
Six hand, 7 hand, 8 hand bunch (*Daylight come and me wan go home.*)

CHORUS

C G7 C G7 C
Come Mr. Tallyman, tally me banana (*Daylight come and me wan go home.*)
C G7 C G7 C
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CHORUS

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