

Africa

Toto

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African chant ♩ = 84

Intro

Soprano 1

Hey ya____ ta ba noh____ ya____ Hey ya____ sho lay

Soprano 2

Hey ya____ ta ba noh____ ya____ Hey ya____ sho lay

Alto 1

Hey ya____ ta ba noh____ ya____ Hey ya____ sho lay

Alto 2

Hey ya____ ta ba noh____ ya____ Hey ya____ sho lay

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S1

Hey ya____ ku neh kwen____ doh____ Koo leh____ za tah

S2

Hey ya____ ku neh kwen____ doh____ Koo leh____ za tah

A1

Hey ya____ ku neh kwen____ doh____ Koo leh____ za tah

A2

Hey ya____ ku neh kwen____ doh____ Koo leh____ za tah

Verse 1

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S1

S2

A1

A2

oo

I hear the drums e-cho - ing to-night She hears on-ly whi - spers of some qui-et con-ver-sa-

dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung

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S1

S2

A1

A2

do do do do ba do do do do oo

tion She's co - ming in twelve thir - ty flight

do do do do ba do do do do oo

dung ka chung do do do do ba do do do do dung ka chung dung ka chung

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S1

S2

A1

A2

the moon - lit winds re - flect the stars that guide me t'wards sal - va

dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung

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S1 wait - ing there_ for you_ Bless the rains_ down in A - fri - ca

S2 wait - ing there_ for you_ Bless the rains_ down in A - fri - ca

A1 wait - ing there_ for you_ Bless the rains_ down in A - fri - ca

A2 doo doo doo ba doo doo doo_

Chorus 1

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S1 Go - nna take the life_ that dragged me a - way_ from you

S2 Go - nna take the life_ that dragged me a - way_ from you

A1 Go - nna take the life_ that dragged me a - way_ from you

A2 dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung

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S1 there's no - thing that a hun - dred men_ or more could ev - er do_

S2 there's no - thing that a hun - dred men_ or more could ev - er do_

A1 there's no - thing that a hun - dred men_ or more could ev - er do_

A2 dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung

Verse 2

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S1

Bless the rains down in A - fri - ca oo_____

S2

doo doo doo ba doo doo doo_____ The wild dogs cry out in the night

A1

doo doo doo ba doo doo doo_____ oo_____

A2

doo doo doo ba doo doo doo_____ dung ka chung dung ka chung

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S1

As they grow rest - less long - ing for some so - li - ta - ry com - pa -

S2

— As they grow rest - less long - ing for some so - li - ta - ry com - pa -

A1

—

A2

dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung

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S1

doo doo doo ba doo doo doo oo_____

S2

- ny I know that I must do what's right

A1

doo doo doo ba doo doo doo oo_____

A2

doo doo doo ba doo doo doo dung ka chung dung ka chung

Chorus 2

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S1 *f* Go - nna take the life___ that dragged me a - way___ from you

S2 *f* Go - nna take the life___ that dragged me a - way___ from you

A1 *f* Go - nna take the life___ that dragged me a - way___ from you

A2 *f* dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung

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S1 there's no - thing that a hun - dred men___ or more could ev - er do___

S2 there's no - thing that a hun - dred men___ or more could ev - er do___

A1 there's no - thing that a hun - dred men___ or more could ev - er do___

A2 dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung

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S1 I bless the rains down in A - fri - ca___ go - nna take some time to do___ the

S2 I bless the rains down in A - fri - ca___ go - nna take some time to do___ the

A1 I bless the rains___ down in A - fri - ca___ go - nna take some time to do___ the

A2 dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung

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S1 so - eh Shoo eh neh_ ya_

S2 so - doo doo doo ba doo doo doo Shoo eh neh_ ya_

A1 so - doo doo doo ba doo doo doo Shoo eh neh_ ya_

A2 dung ka chung doo doo doo ba doo doo doo dung ka chung dung ka chung

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S1 — Fright-ened of this this thing that I've be - come_ Bless the rains down in A - fri - ca

S2 — Fright-ened of this this thing that I've be - come_ Bless the rains down in A - fri - ca

A1 — Fright-ened of this this thing that I've be - come_ Bless the rains down in A - fri - ca

A2 dung ka chung dung ka chung doo doo doo ba doo doo doo_

Chorus 3

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S1 Go - nna take the life_ that dragged me a - way_ from you

S2 Go - nna take the life_ that dragged me a - way_ from you

A1 Go - nna take the life_ that dragged me a - way_ from you

A2 dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung

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S1 - ca In Af - ri - ca In A - fri - ca

S2 A - fri - ca I bless the rains down in A - fri - ca

A1 A - fri - ca I bless the rains down in A - fri - ca

A2 dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung

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S1 go - nna take some time to do the things we ne - ver had

S2 go - nna take some time to do the things we ne - ver had

A1 go - nna take some time to do the things we ne - ver had

A2 dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung dung ka chung a

Coda

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S1 *mf* Bless the rains down in A - fri - ca

S2 *mf* doo doo doo ba doo doo doo Bless the rains down in A - fri - ca

A1 *mf* doo doo doo ba doo doo doo Bless the rains down in A - fri - ca

A2 *mf* doo doo doo ba doo doo doo



Vowels, Scat and Percussive Sounds

Vowels

OO	as in	Shoe	AH	Car
OH		Show	A	Tap
OW		Cow	AI	My
E		Her	I	Dip
EE		Me	U	tongue
EH		Get	MM	humming
woah	is standard	Not wow, woa, woah		
Oh	is standard	Not Ohw etc.	Diphthongs in English are not written.	

Scat

doo ba doo	Not doo b doo
doo be doo	Not doo b doo
'Dum' or 'doom'	Not 'dm'
'Dung'	Not 'dng'

Vocal Percussion

check <http://www.choronline.com/en/vocalpercussion>

b	bass drum
pf	snare drum
k	snare drum rim
tff or ff	snare drum brushed
t	closed Hi-hat
tsh	open Hi-hat
tum	toms
psh	crashing cymbals
tsah	soft cymbal
ssss(p)	reversed cymbal
tiff'e – tshiff'e	shaker (with accent)
tshiff'e - tshiff'e	shaker (no accent)
<c>	claves (horse click)
koo root	guiro
ch (k-t)	cabasa
<p>	woodblock
ting	triangle