CARIBBEANNESS

V1 Yuh ever sit in wonder, or reflect and ponder,

On our Caribbean isles, all over yonder.

Notice how much talent we have to offer,

We should synchronize and promote our culture.

Let's move with one voice, making one choice,

A Pepperpot, a Caribbean melting spot,

Let's move with one voice, making one choice,

A Pepperpot, leh we mix it up.

C1 Caribbean-ness, Caribbean-ness, taste all de flavours that we mix

Caribbean-ness, Caribbean-ness, Jamaican spice and jerk in de food we fix

Caribbean-ness, Caribbean-ness, music to ignite and unite cultures

Caribbean-ness, Caribbean-ness, this Pepperpot of rhythms and flavours,

St. Lucia jazz may put you in de groove, kaiso, dancehall, reggae, zouk or salsa moves

Barbados Cropover and Grenada too, all of this is due to de Caribbean-ness.

V2 We really need to promote our culture,

Use raw materials, protect the future

Keep de fire burning, and de ladle turning

From isle to isle, in de Pepperpot style.

Music, art and food, to flavour de pot,

Pan Chutney and Soca, it hot hot.

We need to earn big foreign exchange,

Create niche markets in de global range.

C2 Caribbean-ness, Caribbean-ness, Walcott, Bolt and Bovell in de Olympics

Caribbean-ness, Caribbean-ness, Brian and Chanders keepin' dey wickets.

Caribbean-ness, Caribbean-ness, Angostura Bitters, flavouring we limes.

Caribbean-ness, Caribbean-ness, is Steelpan and Soca for Carnival times.

Is we bake and shark, doubles, crab and callaloo,

Barbados flying fish and we oil dong too.

Is Bob Marley, Sparrow and Derek Walcott true?

Is LeRoy Clarke and V.S. Naipaul Shoo! Shoo! Shoo!

V3 All ah we, is one family, joined together by de Caribbean Sea.

No force could really break our ties, cause we are de Caribbean Isles

West Indies cricket team, does unite us

First World people try to divide us.

To fight for survival, and prepare for revival,

Communication, Risk Management, Scotia for Financial

C3 Caribbean-ness, Caribbean-ness, virtual education at low cost.

Caribbean-ness, Caribbean-ness, mentorship so generations won't be lost

Caribbean-ness, Caribbean-ness, internet radio crossing all bounds

Caribbean-ness, Caribbean-ness, this is de ladle that churns all of us.

ICT and competition, creativity and innovation

Numeracy and music literacy, ingredients for survival and prosperity

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