

The Tempest

8. Sea change

SONG

[Ferdinana and Miranda]

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we're gonna step right up and say:
'We've got everything we need
we're gonna get married today!'*

[Prospero]

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My dreams have all come true.
Look out kingdom here I come
I'm comin' on home to you.*

[Courtiers, Trinculo and Stephano]

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to do bad things to you,
but now our sins are washed away
and we've been made brand new.*

Chorus

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CARRIE

Hello again! Carrie Grant here. What a happy ending to a great story! Our finale is called 'Sea change' and the high energy, upbeat gospel style fits perfectly with the joyful mood. Let's start with Verse 1, composed for Miranda and Ferdinand. I'll sing the first half and you can all sing it back after I count you in.

*We're gonna walk, we're gonna talk
we're gonna step right up and say:*

1, 2, 3 –

ALL

*We're gonna walk, we're gonna talk
we're gonna step right up and say:*



- CARRIE Right, here's the next bit. Again come in singing after I count you in 3, 4, 1 -
- 'We've got everything we need
we're gonna get married today!'*
- 2, 3, 4, 1 -
- ALL *'We've got everything we need
we're gonna get married today!'*
- CARRIE That's all there is to the verse so let's try it right through without a break this time. Come in with me after 3. 1, 2, 3 -
- ALL *We're gonna walk, we're gonna talk
we're gonna step right up and say:*
- CARRIE 2, 3, 4, 1 -
- ALL *'We've got everything we need
we're gonna get married today!'*
- CARRIE Listen now to the second verse where Prospero sings of going home to his kingdom in Milan.
- I'm comin' back, I'm goin' home
My dreams have all come true.
Look out kingdom here I come
I'm comin' on home to you.*
- CARRIE Try Verse 2 now, after 3. 1, 2, 3 -
- ALL *I'm comin' back, I'm goin' home
My dreams have all come true.*
- CARRIE 2, 3, 4, 1 -
- ALL *Look out kingdom here I come
I'm comin' on home to you.*
- CARRIE Let's take it from the top now and sing through both verses. Here we go, after 3. 1, 2, 3 -



- ALL *We're gonna walk, we're gonna talk
we're gonna step right up and say:
'We've got everything we need
we're gonna get married today!
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I'm comin' on home to you.*
- CARRIE The middle section is sung by the rogue Antonio and his cronies. It goes like this:
- Was a day we'd find a way
to do bad things to you,
but now our sins are washed away
and we've been made brand new.*
- The rhythm at the beginning is a little tricky until you get the hang of it. Listen again...
- Was a day we'd find a way*
- Your turn now - after I say 3, 4, 1. 3, 4, 1 –
- ALL *Was a day we'd find a way*
- CARRIE Listen again while I sing to the end of the first line. Your cue is 3, 4, 1 –
- Was a day we'd find a way
to do bad things to you,*
- 2, 3, 4, 1 –
- ALL *Was a day we'd find a way
to do bad things to you,*
- CARRIE The next bit has quite a straight rhythm compared to what you've just sung. Listen then sing it after I count you in. 3, 4 this time...
- but now our sins are washed away
and we've been made brand new.*
- 3, 4, -



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- ALL *but now our sins are washed away
and we've been made brand new.*
- CARRIE Let's take it from the end of the second verse and see if you can get on to the middle by yourselves. From 'Look out kingdom'. 2, 3, 4, 1 –
- ALL *Look out kingdom here I come
I'm comin' on home to you.*
- Was a day we'd find a way
to do bad things to you,
but now our sins are washed away
and we've been made brand new.*
- CARRIE We've reached the chorus now, which sounds like this:
- A sea change is comin',
A sea change is comin',
A sea change is comin' to us all
A sea change is comin' to us all.*
- Sing the first bit after me - wait for a 3, 4 count in.
- A sea change is comin',
A sea change is comin'*
- 3, 4 –
- ALL *A sea change is comin',
A sea change is comin'*
- CARRIE And the same again with the rest. Listen first.
- A sea change is comin' to us all
A sea change is comin' to us all.*
- 1, 2, 3, 4 –
- ALL *A sea change is comin' to us all
A sea change is comin' to us all.*
- CARRIE Let's try the whole chorus now after 4. 1, 2, 3, 4 –



- ALL *A sea change is comin',
A sea change is comin',
A sea change is comin' to us all
A sea change is comin' to us all.*
- CARRIE Listen to Verse 3, and then join in...
- I've seen the light
I'm here to stay –
seen the error of my ways.
I was lost and now I'm found
I'm ready for the judgement day.*
- 2, 3, -
- ALL *I've seen the light
I'm here to stay –
seen the error of my ways.
I was lost and now I'm found
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- CARRIE Right - next we have two choruses - with a difference. We sing the first chorus followed by the second one, which starts quietly but then *crescendos* - gets louder - during the last line. Like this:
- A sea change is comin',
A sea change is comin',
A sea change is comin' to us all*
- OK! Let's try that then. Very quietly after 4...and build towards the end during the words 'A sea change is coming'. 1, 2, 3, 4 –
- ALL *A sea change is comin',
A sea change is comin',*
- CARRIE 3, 4 -
- KIDS *A sea change is comin' to us all*
- CARRIE And our gospel song reaches a climax in a very typical way, where the lead vocalist slows it right down and ad libs. Listen!
- VOCALIST *I said a sea change is comin'
Yes a sea change is comin' to us all.*



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- CARRIE Do you think you can copy that? Listen again.
- VOCALIST *I said a sea change is comin'*
Yes a sea change is comin' to us all.
- CARRIE Don't worry! Look I'll sing the first little phrase and you copy after a count of 3...
- I said a sea change is comin'*
- 1, 2, 3 –
- ALL *I said a sea change is comin'*
- CARRIE 'Yes a sea change is comin'
- Wait for 'Ready and - '
- Yes a sea change is comin'*
- Ready and -
- ALL *Yes a sea change is comin'*
- CARRIE And now the phrase 'to us all'. After 'Ready and - '
- to us all*
- Ready and -
- ALL *to us all*
- CARRIE Right, do you think you can put it together? After 3. 1, 2, 3 –
- ALL *I said a sea change is comin'*
Yes a sea change is comin' to us all.
- CARRIE Now let's sing from the *pianissimo* chorus leading into that line. We want a big *crescendo* and then onto the slow line we have just learnt. After 4. 1, 2, 3, 4 –



- ALL *A sea change is comin',
A sea change is comin',
A sea change is comin' to us all (oh yeah)
I said a sea change is comin'
Yes a sea change is comin' to us all.*
- CARRIE Now let's sing from the *pianissimo* chorus to the end of the song.
Follow the lyrics in your booklets. After 4. 1, 2, 3, 4 –
- ALL *A sea change is comin',
A sea change is comin',
A sea change is comin' to us all (oh yeah)
I said a sea change is comin'
Yes a sea change is comin' to us all.
A sea change is comin',
A sea change is comin',
A sea change is comin' to us all
A sea change is comin' to us all
Yes a sea change is coming to us all (woah ooooo).*
- CARRIE We've just got time to sing the entire song - but do listen to the intro first
- here's all you get. 1, 2, 3 –
- SONG *We're gonna walk, we're gonna talk
we're gonna step right up and say:*
- CARRIE Short, isn't it? So be prepared and don't forget to take a deep breath. Here
we go - stand up! Sing from the heart like funky joyful gospel divas! And
don't forget to smile!
- ALL **Verse 1**
[Ferdinand and Miranda]
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- Verse 2**
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Verse 3

[Caliban]

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A sea change is comin',
(crescendo) A sea change is comin' to us all (oh yeah)
(slow) I said a sea change is comin'
Yes a sea change is comin' to us all.
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