

9. Internationale - Billy Bragg version

1. Stand up, all victims of oppression,
 For the tyrants fear your might.
 Don't cling so hard to your possessions,
 For you have nothing, if you have no rights.
 Let racist ignorance be ended,
 For respect makes the empire's fall.
 Freedom is merely privilege extended,
 Unless enjoyed by one and all.

Chorus:
 So come brothers and sisters for the struggle carries on.
 The Internationale unites the world in song.
 So, comrades, come rally for this is the time and place.
 The international ideal unites the human race.

2. Let no-one build walls to divide us,
 Walls of hatred nor walls of stone.
 Oh, greet the dawn and come and join us.
 We'll live together or we'll die alone.
 In our world, poisoned by exploitation,
 Those who have taken, now they must give.
 And end the vanity of nations.
 We've but one earth on which to live.
Chorus
 3. And so begins the final drama,
 In the streets and in the fields.
 We'll resist united 'gainst their armour.
 We'll defy their guns and shields.
 When we fight, provoked by their aggression,
 Let us be inspired by life and love.
 For, though they offer us concessions,
 Change will not come from above.
Chorus

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1. Seed of Hope

Tune
 Sow seeds of hope, Where ever you go

sow seeds of hope, some of the seeds bound to fall on stony ground
 Sow seeds of hope, wherever you go
 sow seeds of hope, some of the seeds gonna grow taller than you ever could know.

Upper and lower
 Sow seeds of hope, Where ever you go
 Sow seeds of hope, some of the seeds gonna grow taller than you ever could know.

2. Chains

Bass: You aint got nothing to lose but your chains yeah, you aint got nothing to lose but your chains x2
Tenor: Lose your chains and you'll go free, lose your chains and you'll go free, lose your chains and you'll go free
Sop and Hi-sop: Lose them, and set yourself free, x4

7. We're Not Gonna Give it Back

Peggy Seeger

1. Oh, we worked and we fought for the little that's ours
 And we're not gonna give it back
 While you ride around in a Rolls Royce car
 No we're not gonna give it back
 You take away our bread and butter while you're drinking wine
 And you send out the cops against the picket line
 You tried it before but I swear this time
 We're not gonna give it back

Chorus:
 No we're not gonna give it back
 We're not gonna give it back
 We're not gonna give it back,
 no fear
 We're not gonna give it back

2. Well, you want our pensions and our benefits too

Well we're not gonna give it back
 To make less for us and more for you
 No we're not gonna give it back
 Your profits are higher than they've ever been
 The economy's a mess 'cos you're greedy as sin
 And you never will care what a mess we're in
 So we're not gonna give it back

Chorus

3. We won the right to bargain and the right to strike
 And we're not gonna give it back
 Now you think you can cancel them whenever you like
 Well we're not gonna give it back
 Listen while I tell you 'bout the rich and poor
 It's what my momma told me all about the class war
 And it's mighty plain to see what the union's for
 So we're not gonna give it back

wear the crown, Stand up now Diggers all!

3. (Unison) 'Gainst lawyers and 'gainst priests, stand up now, stand up now,
 'Gainst lawyers and 'gainst priests, stand up now!
 For tyrants they are both, even flat against their oath,
 To grant us they are loath, free meat and drink and cloth,
 Stand up now, stand up now!

4. (Harmony) With spades and hoes and ploughs,
 stand up now, stand up now,
 With spades and hoes and ploughs, stand up now!
 Your freedom to uphold, seeing cavaliers are bold
 To kill you if they could, your rights from you to hold,
 Stand up now, stand up now.