

Shake The Papaya Down

Jamaican folk song

I



Ma - ma says no play; This is a work day. Up with the bright sun; get all the work done.
Sweet, sweet pa-pa - ya, Fruit of the is - land, When all the work's done, dance on the white sands.



If you will help me, climb up the tall tree, Shake the pa - pa - ya down.
If you will help me, climb up the tall tree, Shake the pa - pa - ya down.

II



Shake them down, shake them down, Climb the tall— tree, shake them down.



Shake them down, shake them down, Shake the pa - pa - ya down.

III



I love pa - pa - ya, yes, I do.— Juic-y pa - pa - ya, yes, I do.—



If you will help— me, I'll help you.— Shake the pa - pa - ya down.

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1. Mama says no play, this is a work day. Up with the bright sun, get all the work done.
If you will help me, climb up the tall tree, shake the papaya down.
Shake them down, shake them down, climb the tall tree, shake them down.
Shake them down, shake them down, shake the papaya down.
I love papaya, yes, I do. Juicy papaya, yes I do.
If you will help me, I'll help you. Shake the papaya down.

2. Sweet, sweet papaya, fruit of the island, when all the work's done, dance on the white sand.
If you will help me, climb up the tall tree, shake the papaya down.
Shake them down, shake them down, climb the tall tree, shake them down.
Shake them down, shake them down, shake the papaya down.
I love papaya, yes, I do. Juicy papaya, yes I do.
If you will help me, I'll help you. Shake the papaya down.

