

THE MERMAID

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couplet 1: IT WAS FRIDAY MORN' WHEN WE SET SAIL
AND WE WERE NOT FAR FROM THE LAND
OUR CAPTAIN HE SPIED A MERMAID SO FAIR
WITH A COMB AND A GLASS IN HER HAND

refrein: **AND THE OCEAN WAVES DO ROLL
AND THE STORMY WINDS DO BLOW
AND WE POOR SAILERBOYS
WERE SITTING UP ALOFT
WHILE THE LANDLUBBERS
LAY DOWN BELOW.. BELOW.. BELOW
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couplet 2: THEN UP SPOKE THE CAPTAIN OF OUR GALLANT SHIP
AND A FINE SPOKEN MAN WAS HE
THIS FISHY MERMAID HAS WARNED ME OF OUR DOOM
WE SHALL SINK TO THE BOTTOM OF THE SEA

couplet 3: THEN UP SPOKE THE MATE OF OUR GALLANT SHIP
AND A GRAND OLD FELLOW WAS HE
SAYING "I HAVE A WIFE IN SALAM BY THE SEA
AND TONIGHT A WIDOW SHE WILL BE"

>> refrain

couplet 4: AND UP SPOKE THE CABIN-BOY OF OUR GALLANT SHIP,
AND A BRAVE YOUNG LAD WAS HE.
"OH, I HAVE A SWEETHEART IN PLYMOUTH BY THE SEA,
AND TONIGHT SHE'LL BE WEEPING FOR ME."

couplet 5: THEN UP SPOKE THE COOK OF OUR GALLANT SHIP
AND A BLOODY OLD BUTCHER WAS HE
SAYING "I CARE NO MORE FOR MY POTS AND PANS
THEY SHALL SINK TO THE BOTTOM OF THE SEA"

>> refrain

couplet 6: THREE TIMES AROUND SPUN OUR GALLANT SHIP
AND TREE TIMES AROUND SPUN SHE
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AND SHE SANK TO THE BOTTOM OF THE SEA

>> refrain

