

V1:

Mama says no play; This is a workday. Up with the bright sun; Get all the work done. If you will help me, climb up the tall tree, shake the papaya down.

V2:

Sweet, sweet papaya, fruit of the island, when all the work's done, dance on the white sands. If you will help me, climb up the tall tree, shake the papaya down.

Refrain:

Shake them down, shake them down, climb the tall tree, shake them down.

Shake them down, Shake them down. Shake the papaya down.

V1 & Refrain

V3:

I love papaya yes I do. Juicy papaya yes I do. If you will help me, I'll help you. Shake the papaya down.

V2, V3, & Refrain

[All]

Shake the papaya down. Shake the papaya—down.