

# Banana Boat Song (Day-O!)

## (chord version 1)

Words & Music:  
Irving Burgie

*Burgie penned many of Harry Belafonte's calypso hits. He was inducted into the Songwriters Hall of Fame in 2007.*

CHORUS:

G            C    G  
Day-o! Day-o!  
G                            D                            G  
Daylight come and I want to go home.  
Day-o! Day-o!  
Daylight come and I want to go home.

G                            D                            G  
Come Mr. Tallyman, tally me bananas!  
G                            D                            G  
Daylight come and I want to go home.  
Come Mr. Tallyman, tally me bananas!  
Daylight come and I want to go home.

CHORUS

Six han', seven han', eight han', bunch!  
Daylight come and I want to go home.  
Checker, he come check the bunch!  
Daylight come and I want to go home.

CHORUS

Daylight come and I want to go home.  
Daylight come and I want to go home.