

# Rocking Solidarity (Forever)

*Ralph Chaplin 1915, adaptation by Dave Welsh and Pete Seeger*

When the union's inspiration through the workers' blood shall run  
There can be no power greater anywhere beneath the sun  
Yet what force on earth is weaker than the feeble strength of one  
For the Union, yes, the union makes us strong (ev'rybody sing it out, sing it with us)

**Solidarity forever, solidarity forever, solidarity forever**  
**For it's the Union, yes, the union makes us strong**

They have taken untold millions that they never toiled to earn  
But without our brain and muscle not a single wheel can turn  
We can break their haughty power gain our freedom when we learn  
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It is we who ploughed the prairies, built the cities where they trade  
Dug the mines and built the workshops, endless miles of railroad laid  
Now we stand outcast and starving 'mid the wonders we have made  
For the Union, yes, the union makes us strong (ev'rybody sing it out, sing it with us)

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It is we who raised the families, scrubbed the floors and chased the dirt,  
Fed the kids and sent them off to school and then we go to work,  
Where we work for lower wages, with a boss that likes to flirt.  
But the Union, yes, the union makes us strong (ev'rybody sing it out, sing it with us)

**Solidarity forever, solidarity forever, solidarity forever**  
**For it's the Union, yes, the union makes us strong**

In our hands is placed a power greater than their hoarded gold  
Greater than the might of armies magnified a thousandfold  
We can bring to birth a new world from the ashes of the old  
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