

DO IT NOW

Tune: "Bella Ciao"

Key: D minor

We need to wake up; we need to wise up
We need to open our eyes and do it now, now, now
We need to build a better future
And we need to start right now

We're on a planet, that has a problem
We've got to solve it, get involved and do it now now now
We need to build a better future
And we need to start right now

Make it greener, make it cleaner
Make it last, make it fast and do it now now now
We need to build a better future
And we need to start right now

No point in waiting, or hesitating
We must get wise, no more lies; do it now now now
We need to build a better future
And we need to start right now!

Repeat entire song

REMEMBER THE VICTIMS OF LAC-
MÉGANTIC AND WORK FOR RAIL SAFETY.

Bookstaver's Park
GPS 855 Windsor Road
Teaneck, NJ 07666

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We Remember Lac-Mégantic

Melody: Hobos Lullaby By Goebel Reeves

Lyrics: Paula Rogovin and the Solidarity Singers (2023)

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We **remember** Lac-Mégantic.

Forty - **se**-ven died **there**.

Rail **companies** keep **fighting** for profits.

'Bout **people**,

they don't really care

We **remember** Paulsboro New **Jersey**,

Vi-nyl **chloride** everywhere

For **Conrail** it's all 'bout making profits

'Bout **people**,

they don't really care

We remember.. East **Palestine, Ohio** (*slow it down for this stanza*)

Toxins **in water**, land and air.

Billions in profits for **Norfolk Southern**

'Bout **people**,

they don't really care.

We need rail **safety** laws in Jersey.

To protect **people**, **water**, land and **air**

lobbyists and **politicians** railed against it.

'Bout **people**,

they don't really care.

We will never give up **fighting**

Till there's justice everywhere

We put **people** over profits

It's about **people** that we really **care**

A SONG FOR LAC MÉGANTIC

Tune: "Red River Valley" (traditional)

*Words: Norman Fisher (2016) Paula Rogovin (2023) and
Solidarity Singers Key: C*

Chorus:

When those oil trains go rumblin' through here,
When that Bakken crude oil passes us by,
Our hearts go out to those in Lac-Mégantic,
It makes us want to sit down and cry.

Now that town up north of the border,
Was just like any Bergen County town,
Til' that day the oil train exploded
And spread its evil load around. *Chorus*

We know Bakken crude oil is volatile.
It explodes, and it burns so easily.
So, don't transport it by
Rail, barge, or pipeline
It can harm lots of people, don't you see? *Chorus*

In East Palestine there **was** a big derailment
Vinyl chloride burned
and sent dioxin everywhere
That dioxin was so very toxic
It poisoned the water, land, and air

Liquified Natural Gas is really dangerous
It explodes, and it burns so easily
So, don't transport it by
Truck or by railroad
It can harm lots of people, don't you see? *Chorus*

MY RAINBOW RACE

Pete Seeger, 1970

Key A

Chorus:

One blue sky above us, one ocean lapping all our shores,
One earth so green and round, who could ask for more?
And because I love you, I'll give it one more try,
To show my rainbow race it's too soon to die.

Repeat chorus with BZ "lining out" each phrase so the audience can sing.

Some people live like an ostrich,
Bury their heads in the sand.
Some hope that plastic dreams
Can unclench all those greedy hands.

Some people want to take the easy way,
Poisons, bombs, they think we need 'em.
Don't they know you can't kill all the unbelievers?
There's no shortcut to freedom.

Chorus

Go tell, go tell all the little children.
Tell all the mothers and fathers too.
Now's our last chance to learn to share
What's been given to me and you.

Chorus

Coda:

And because we love you, we'll give it one more try,
To show our rainbow race it's too soon to die.
Let's show our rainbow race it's too soon to die.