

"Don't Worry About a Thing" (Three Little Birds) – Bob Marley

Level: Beginner to Intermediate | **Topic:** Feelings, Positivity & Music

1. Warm-Up & Discussion

Answer the following questions with a partner or in small groups:

1. How do you feel when you listen to music? What kind of music makes you happy?
2. What do you do when you feel worried or stressed?
3. Have you ever heard of Bob Marley? What do you know about reggae music?

2. Vocabulary Preview

Match the words on the left with their correct definitions on the right:

Word	Definition
1. Doorstep	A. A tune or succession of musical notes
2. Melody	B. To feel anxious or troubled about actual or potential problems
3. Pitch	C. The step or area directly outside the door of a house
4. Worry	D. Clean, clear, or without anything harmful
5. Pure	E. To set up, place, or land upon a spot

3. Listening Activity: Fill in the Blanks

Listen to the song and fill in the missing words in the lyrics below.

Chorus:

"Don't _____ about a thing,
'Cause _____ little thing gonna be alright.
Singin': 'Don't worry about a thing,
'Cause every little thing gonna be _____!"

Verse:

"Rise up this mornin',
_____ with the risin' sun,
Three little _____
Pitch by my _____
Singin' sweet _____
Of pure and true,
Sayin', 'This is my _____ to you-ou-ou:'"

(Repeat Chorus)

4. Grammar & Language Focus

A. Colloquial Expressions & Contractions in English

In informal English and songs, words are often shortened or spoken differently:

- 'Cause = Because
- Gonna = Going to
- Risin' / Singin' = Rising / Singing (the final 'g' is dropped)