

Listen to the song and complete the gaps with the past simple or the past continuous form of the verbs in brackets. **CLICK HERE**

A long long time ago there [1] (be) a volcano
Living all alone in the middle of the sea

He sat high above his bay watching all the couples play
And wishing that he [2] (have) someone too
And from his lava [3] (come)
This song of hope that he [4] (sing) out loud
Every day for years and years



I have a dream, I hope it will come true
That you're here with me and I am here with you
I wish that the earth, sea, and the sky up above
Will send me someone to lava

Years of singing all alone [5] (turn) his lava into stone
Until he was on the brink of extinction
But little did he know that living in the sea below
Another volcano [6] (listen) to his song



Everyday she [7] (hear) his tune
Her lava [8] and (grow x2)
Because she believed his song was meant for her
Now she was so ready to meet him above the sea
As he [9] (sing) his song of hope for the last time

I have a dream, I hope it will come true
That you're here with me and I am here with you
I wish that the earth, sea, and the sky up above
Will send me someone to lava



Rising from the sea below [10] (stand) a lovely volcano looking all around
But she [11] (can) not see him
He tried to sing to let her know that she was not there alone
But with no lava, his song was all gone
He filled the sea with his tears watched his dreams disappear
As she [12] (remember) what his song meant to her

I have a dream, I hope will come true
That you're here with me and I am here with you
I wish that the earth, sea, and the sky up above
Will send me someone to lava



Oh they were so happy to finally meet above the sea
All together now their lava [13] and (grow x2)
No longer are they all alone with Aloha as their new home
And when you go and visit them this is what they sing

I have a dream I hope it will come true
That you will grow old with me, and I will grow old with you
We thank the earth, sea, and the sky we thank too
I lava you, I lava you, I lava you

Did you know?

James Ford Murphy had the inspiration for this short film when he was on holiday in Hawaii in 2011. He learned about the existence of Lo'ihi, an underwater volcano which is growing next to the big island and will eventually merge with it. The main island is in fact the merging of five volcanoes. James started reflecting and wondered if the new volcano knew about the presence of the others and vice versa, which inspired him to write this lovely story. He learned to play the ukulele and composed the song. An important inspiration for the music was Israel Kamakawiwo'ole's version of "Somewhere Over the Rainbow." Murphy was interested in making a character that would also be a location. He said: "I thought it would be so cool to fall in love with a place who's also a character."

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I Lava you (with lyrics)

Over the Raibow (with lyrics)