

# Freedom Songs for P.S. 261's MLK March

## **Ain't Gonna Let Nobody (C min - starts on Sol)**

Ain't gonna let nobody turn me around, turn me around, turn me around.  
Ain't gonna let nobody turn me around.

*Keep on a walkin', keep on a talkin',  
Gonna build a brand new world.*

Gonna keep on marchin' 'til we are free...  
Ain't gonna let no anger turn me around...  
Ain't gonna let no bigotry turn me around...  
Ain't gonna let nobody turn me around...

## **We Shall Not Be Moved (D maj - starts on Mi)**

We shall not, we shall not be moved.  
We shall not, we shall not be moved.

*Just like a tree, just standing by the water,  
We shall not be moved.*

We're fighting for our freedom, we shall not be moved...  
We're boys and girls together, we shall not be moved...  
We're black and white together, we shall not be moved...

## **O Freedom (D maj - starts on low Sol)**

O freedom, o freedom, o freedom over me.

*And before I'd be a slave, I'd be buried in my grave,  
And go home to the Lord and be free.*

No more hunger...  
No more killing...  
No more segregation...  
There'll be joy...  
There'll be singing...  
There'll be peace...

### **This Land Is Your Land (C maj - starts on Do)**

This land is your land,  
This land is my land,  
From California,  
To the New York Island.  
From the redwood forest,  
To the Gulf Stream waters.  
This land was made for you and me.

As I was walking that ribbon of highway,  
I saw above me that endless skyway.  
I saw below me that golden valley.  
This land was made for you and me.

This land is your land...

### **We Shall Overcome (Bb maj - starts on high Sol)**

We shall overcome, we shall overcome, we shall overcome someday.

*O deep in my heart, I do believe, we shall overcome someday.*

We'll walk hand in hand...

*O deep in my heart, I do believe, we'll walk hand in hand someday.*

We are not afraid...

*O deep in my heart, I do believe, we are not afraid today.*

The whole wide world around...

*O deep in my heart, I do believe, we shall overcome someday.*

### **Chorus of "Harriet Tubman" (E min)**

#### **3rd, 4th, and 5th Grade classes**

"Come on up; mmm I got a lifeline!  
Come on up to this train of mine!  
Come on up; mmm I got a lifeline!  
Come on up to this train of mine!"  
She said her name was Harriet Tubman  
And she drove for the Underground Railroad.

**Harriet Tubman (E min )**  
**4th and 5th Grade Chorus**

Last night I dreamed I was in slavery  
'Bout 1850 was the time  
Sorrow was the only sign  
Nothing about to ease my mind  
Out of the night appeared a lady  
Leading a distant pilgrim band.  
"First Mate," she cried pointing her hand,  
"Make room board for this young woman"

Sayin'

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She said her name was Harriet Tubman  
And she drove for the Underground Railroad.

Hundreds of miles we traveled onward;  
Gathering slaves from town to town;  
Seeking every lost and found;  
Setting those free who once were bound.  
Somehow my heart was growing weaker.  
Fell by the wayside sinking sand.  
Firmly did this lady stand,  
Lifted me up and took my hand.

Sayin'

Come on up...

Who are these children dressed in red?  
They must be the ones that Moses led.  
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They must be the ones that Moses led?

Sayin'

Come on up...