There was a fair maid and she lived all alone She lived all alone on the shore No one could she find for to calm her sweet mind But to wander alone on the shore, shore, shore To wander alone on the shore

There was a brave captain who sailed a fine ship
And the weather being steady and fair
I shall die, I shall die, this dear captain did cry
If I can't have that maid on the shore, shore
If I can't have that maid on the shore

After many persuasions they brought her on board He seated her down on his chair He invited her down to his cabin below Farewell to all sorrow and care Farewell to all sorrow and care

I'll sing you a song, this fair maid did cry
This captain was weeping for joy
She sang it so sweetly, so soft and completely
She sang the captain and sailors to sleep
Captain and sailors to sleep

She robbed them of jewels, she robbed them of wealth She robbed them of costly fine fare
The captain's broadsword she used as an oar
She rowed her way back to the shore, shore, shore
She rowed her way back to the shore

Oh the men, they were mad and the men, they were sad They were deeply sunk down in despair
To see her go away with her booty so gay
The rings and her things and her fine fare
The rings and her things and her fine fare

Well, don't be so sad and sunk down in despair
And you should have known me before
I sang you to sleep and I robbed you of wealth
Well, again I'm a maid on the shore, shore, shore
Again I'm a maid on the shore