Day-O (The Banana Boat Song)

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Key/Chords

	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	No. # or b
Key: **C / Am** Chords:	**C**	**Dm**	**Em**	**F**	**G**	**Am**	**Bm7(b5)**	**0**

[Originally in "F"]

Intro

1 5 1
Daaaaay - Oh... Daaaaay - Oh... **[*a-rhythmic, soulful call-out*]**
1 5 1
Daylight come and me wan' go home...
1 5 4 1 5 1 5
Day! Me say "day", Me say "day", Me say "day", Me say "day", Me say "Daaaaay - Oh..."
1 5 1
Daylight come and me wan' go... home…

Verse #1

1
Work all night on a drink o' rum
1 5 1
Daylight come and me wan' go home...
1
Stock banana 'til the mornin' come
1 5 1
Daylight come and me wan' go home...

Chorus #1

1 5
Come Mister Tally-man tally me banana
1 5 1
Daylight come and me wan' go home...
1 5
Come Mister Tally-man tally me banana
1 5 1
Daylight come and me wan' go home...

Chorus #2

1 **1 5 1**
Six foot, seven foot, eight foot, BUNCH! Daylight come and me wan' go home...
Six foot, seven foot, eight foot, BUNCH! Daylight come and me wan' go home...
Six foot, seven foot, eight foot, BUNCH! Daylight come and me wan' go home...
Six foot, seven foot, eight foot, BUNCH! Daylight come and me wan' go home...

Chorus #3

1 5 1
Day! Me say Daaaaay - Oh...
1 5 1
Daylight come and me wan' go home...
1 5 4 1 5
Day! Me say "day", Me say "day", Me say "day", Me say "day"
1 5 1
Daylight come and me wan' go home...

Verse #2

1 **1 5 1**
A beautiful bunch of ripe banana Daylight come and me wan' go home...
Hide 'de deadly black tarantula Daylight come and me wan' go home...

CHORUS #2 **[** Six foot, seven foot... **]**
CHORUS #3 **[** Day!, Me say Day – oh... **]**
CHORUS #1 **[** Come Mr. Tally man... **]**
INTRO /ENDING **[** arythmic, ritardando and end on last line **]**