Closing Number Once on this Island:

**Why We Tell the Story lyrics**

(spoken)  
A tree that sprang up and cracked the walls of the hotel Beauxhomme  
So that its gates could never close again  
A tree that lived forever sheltering peasant and grand homme alike  
A tree that watched over Daniel for his lifetime  
A tree in which his children played  
  
And one day as Daniel's young son sat in the shade of the tree  
He noticed a beautiful young peasant girl high in the branches  
Looking out at the world  
  
And the spirit of Ti Moune touched their hearts  
And set them free to love  
  
(sung)  
And she stands against the lightning and the thunder  
And she shelters and protects us from above  
And she fills us with the power and the wonder  
Of her love   
  
And this is why  
We tell the story  
Why we tell the story  
  
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If you listen very hard you hear her call us  
To come share with her our laughter and our tears  
And there's mysteries and miracles befall us  
Through the years  
  
We tell the story  
We tell the story!  
  
Life is why  
We tell the story  
Pain is why  
We tell the story  
Love is why  
We tell the story  
Grief is why  
We tell the story  
Hope is why  
We tell the story  
Faith is why  
We tell the story  
You are why  
We tell the story  
Why we tell the story  
Why we tell the story  
Why we tell the story  
  
So I hope that you will tell this tale tomorrow  
It will help your heart remember and relive  
It will help you feel the anger and the sorrow  
And forgive  
  
For all the ones we leave  
And we believe  
Our lives become  
The stories that we weave  
  
(spoken)   
There is an island  
Where the rivers run deep  
Where the seas sparkling in the sun  
Earns it the name Jewel of the Antilles  
An island where the poorest of peasants live  
And the wealthiest of grand homme play  
And on this island?  
We tell the story.  
  
(sung)   
We tell the story

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| **Bright Star - If You Knew My Story Lyrics** |

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| **Song from the Broadway Musical (2016) Bright Star the musical - If You Knew My Story Lyrics**  If you knew my story you’d have a hard time Believing me, you’d think I was lying Joy and sorrow never last I’ll die trying not to live in the past If you knew my story My heaven and my hell If you knew my story You’d have a good story to tell I left my clothes on that cold river rock My cares and my woes rolled up in my socks I lay down in that mountain stream And the icy water rushed over me If you knew my story My heaven and my hell If you knew my story You’d have a good story to tell Me I’m not alone Tell me I’m not alone Many backs have broken from lesser weight I know I was born to carry more than I can hold Even though I’ll stumble Even though I’ll fall You’ll never see me crumble You’ll never see me crawl If you knew my story Drew water from the well If you knew my story You’d have a good story to tell Me I’m not alone Tell me I’m not alone Even though I’ll stumble Even though I’ll fall You’ll never see me crumble You’ll never see me crawl If you knew my story |

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| **BIG FISH - Be the Hero Lyrics** |

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| **Broadway 2013 Big Fish the Musical - Be the Hero Lyrics**  Edward: What if I told you You could change the world With just one thought What if I told you You could be a king Anything you desired, boy Anything on a plate All within your power to create  I know somewhere in the darkness There's a story meant for me Where I always know exactly what to say I know somewhere some surprising ending Waits for me to tell it my own way  Be the hero of your story if you can Be the champion in the fight Not just the man Don't depend on other people To put paper next to pen Be the hero of your story, boy, and then You can rise to be the hero once again  Now, the best part of an adventure is the people you meet.  ………. Every tale that you invent Becomes a life That you make real Where each character You meet Becomes your friend  You don't need to be A novelist To make believe what's Waiting 'round the bend  Edward + All: Be the hero of your story 'Til it's done Why go promenade when You were born to run  Edward: If you understand This premise You will never be alone  Edward + Some: You can conquer Every challenge You can face each Stepping stone  Edward + All: Be the hero of your story  Edward: What if I swore I saw a mermaid swimming In the mist What if I told you She would be the first girl That I kissed  Out there in the water Filled with eagerness and fear Here is what she whispered in my ear:  Edward: Now listen, son. Now, one day, I met this fisherman, see?  Frustrated Fisherman: Oh, you gotta help me! If I don't catch a fish, my family's gonna starve!  Edward: Mmmhmm. Well, the fish are sleepin'! You gotta get'em movin'. Try the Alabama Stomp!  Works every time!  Something about this rythym really gets their fins movin’. Give a man a fish, you feed him for a day.  Teach a man to fish, you feed him for a lifetime.  Teach a man the Alabama Stomp, you feed his soul!  I know somewhere in the future There’s adventure waits for me Filled with mystery and people I can love I know out there On the road of life I’ll live the story I’ve been Dreaming of  Company: Live the story I’ve been Dreaming of! Be the hero every time You get the chance If the music stops Continue with the dance  Edward Bloom: On a wing or on a prayer You get there Only with your voice  All: Be attentive Be inventive Be the first one to rejoice With the story in your heart You won’t need Any other choice You’re a hero, Fighting dragons, winning wars Be the hero And the world will soon be yours! |