

Songsheet for Strikers

1 Bella Ciao Now we can win if we stand together, <i>Bella Ciao, bella ciao, etc...</i> We can win if we stand together But divided we will fall. Come join a union to fight injustice, <i>Bella Ciao, bella ciao, etc...</i> join a union to fight injustice, For together we can win. They want to weaken our resistance, <i>Bella Ciao, bella ciao, etc...</i> They want to weaken our resistance, But the union makes us strong. Repeat verse 1	2 Bandiera Rossa Avanti popolo, a la rescossa Bandiera rossa, bandiera rossa Avanti popolo, a la rescossa Bandiera rossa, trionfera Bandiera Rossa trionfera (x 3) Eviva socialism e la liberta Arise you people, unto the struggle The red flag flying, the red flag flying Arise you people, unto the struggle The red flag flying triumphantly Chorus Arise you workers, fling to the breeze The scarlet banner, the scarlet banner Arise you workers, fling to the breeze The scarlet banner, triumphantly Chorus
3 There is Power in a Union <i>Billy Bragg</i> There is power in the factory, power in the land Power in the hands of the worker But it all amounts to nothing If together we don't stand There is power in a Union The Union forever defending our rights, Stand with the picket, all workers unite With our sisters and our brothers In many far off lands There is power in a Union Now I long for the morning when they realise Unjust laws cannot defeat us But who'll defend the workers who cannot organise When the bosses send their lackeys out to cheat us? Chorus	4 Solidarity Forever The unions inspiration lies in solidarity We fought together side by side & won our liberty The many gains the people made through strength and unity For the union makes us strong Chorus Solidarity forever, Solidarity forever Solidarity forever for the Union makes us strong The combined might of many far exceeds the strength of one A union of all people everywhere beneath the sun A global girth to span the earth the battle can be won For the union makes us strong Chorus
5 Step By Step Step by step the longest march can be won, can be won. Many stones to form an arch, singly none, singly none. And by union what we will can be accomplished still. Drops of water turn a mill, singly none, singly none.	6 We shall not give up the fight We shall not give up the fight, we have only started, we have only started, we have only started x2
7 Which side are you on?	

Which side are you on? Which side are you on? Which side are you on? Which side are you on? Come all you good people Our comrades and our friends Once more our backs are to the wall We're being attacked again Which side are you on? Which side are you on? Which side are you on? Which side are you on? Which side are you on? The MPs and the bosses Give themselves a rise in pay They send us to the foodbanks While they strip our jobs away Chorus Hikes in gas and 'lectric Won't affect the likes of them It's freeze or starve for many While their profits rise again Chorus	8 THE INTERNATIONALE <i>Billy Bragg</i> Rise up, all victims of oppression For the tyrants fear your might Don't cling so hard to your possessions For you have nothing if you have no rights Let racist ignorance be ended For respect makes the empires fall Freedom is merely privilege extended Unless enjoyed by one and all So come brothers and sisters For the struggle carries on The Internationale unites the world in song So comrades come rally, for this is the time and place The international ideal unites the human race Let no one build walls to divide us Walls of hatred nor walls of stone Oh greet the dawn and come and join us We'll live together or we'll die alone In our world, poisoned by exploitation Those who have taken now they must give And end the vanity of nations We've but one earth on which to live Chorus And so begins the final drama In the streets and in the fields We'll resist united 'gainst their armour We'll defy their guns and shields When we fight, provoked by their aggression Let's be inspired by life and love For though they offer us concessions Change will not come from above Chorus