Sailors Alphabet Fairport Convention [Intro] A D D [Verse] G D A s for the anchor that lies at our bow А D B s for the bowsprit and the jibs all lie low G D Α C s for the capstan we all run around р D s for the davits to lower the boat down [Chorus] G D Merrily, merrily, so merry sail we Α D No mortal on earth like a sailor at sea D Heave away, haul away, the ship rolls along Α D A D Give a sailor his grog and there s nothing goes wrong [Verse] G D E s for the ensign that at our mast flew D А F s for the forecastle, where lives our crew G D Α G s for the galley where the salt junk smells strong Α D And H is the halyards, we hoist with a song [Chorus] G D Merrily, merrily, so merry sail we Α D No mortal on earth like a sailor at sea G D Heave away, haul away, the ship rolls along D Α D Give a sailor his grog and there s nothing goes wrong [Verse] G D I s for the eyebolts, good for the feet D Α

J s for the jibs hoist, stands by the lead sheet D K s for the knightheads where the petty officer stands Α L s for the leeside, hard found by new hands [Chorus] G D Merrily, merrily, so merry sail we No mortal on earth like a sailor at sea G Α Heave away, haul away, the ship rolls along A D D Α Give a sailor his grog and there s nothing goes wrong [Verse] G D M s for the mainmast, it s stout and it s strong Α D N s for the needle that never points wrong Α O s for the oars of our old jolly boats Α D And P s for the pinnace that lively do float [Chorus] G D Merrily, merrily, so merry sail we No mortal on earth like a sailor at sea G D Heave away, haul away, the ship rolls along A D D Α Give a sailor his grog and there s nothing goes wrong [Verse] G ъ Q s for the quarterdeck where our officers stand р And R s for the rudder that keeps the ship in command G D А S is for the stuns 1s that drive her along T s for the tops ls, to get there takes long [Chorus] D G Merrily, merrily, so merry sail we D No mortal on earth like a sailor at sea D G Heave away, haul away, the ship rolls along

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[Verse] G D U s for the uniform, mostly worn aft А D V s for the vangs running from the main gap G D W s for water, we re on a pint and a pound D Α And X marks the spot where old Stormy was drowned [Chorus] G D Merrily, merrily, so merry sail we р No mortal on earth like a sailor at sea G Α D Heave away, haul away, the ship rolls along D A D Α Give a sailor his grog and there s nothing goes wrong [Verse] D G Y s for yardarm, needs a good sailor man Α D Z is for Zoë, I m her fancy man D А G Z s also for zero in the cold winter time D Α And now we have brought all the letters in rhyme [Chorus] G D Merrily, merrily, so merry sail we D Α No mortal on earth like a sailor at sea G D Α Heave away, haul away, the ship rolls along D A D А Give a sailor his grog and there s nothing goes wrong