

Sisters Are Doin' It for Themselves

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That behind every great man there had to be a great woman
Now in these times of change, you know that it's no longer true
So we're comin' out of the kitchen
'Cause there's somethin' we forgot to say to you

We said, "Sisters are doin' it for themselves"
Standin' on their own two feet
And ringin' on their own bells
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Now this is a song to celebrate
The conscious liberation of the female state
Mothers, daughters and their daughters too, oh yeah
Woman to woman, we're singin' with you

The inferior sex has got a new exterior
We got doctors, lawyers, politicians too
Everybody, take a look around
Can you see, can you see?
Can you see there's a woman right next to you?

We said, "Sisters are doin' it for themselves," oh yes we are
Standin' on their own two feet
And ringin' on their own bells
Sisters are doin' it for themselves

Now we ain't makin' stories and we ain't layin' plans
Don't you know that a man still loves a woman
When a woman still loves a man?
Just a same though

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Sisters are doin' it for themselves, yes

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