

**Title : Rasa Sayang**

**Composer : Dick Lee**

**Lyricist : Dick Lee**

D : Once upon a time there were only trees  
And a lion or two enjoying the breeze

M : Then a boat arrived one sunny day  
And human beings were here to stay

L : Well, the king of the jungle couldn't really complain  
He got the whole damn island named after him

R : And as for the lions, here's news for you  
You can see their descendants at the Mandai Zoo

D : The island since has come very far  
All thanks to the man named Utama

L : No we couldn't forget him if we tried

R : Eh, what about Raffles?

All : We love that guy!

M : So here we are having so much fun  
Can hardly believe this was a jungle once

D : Sometimes I can still hear the lion's roar  
Going

All : Singa — Singa — pore!

**Chorus :** Rasa Sayang, eh, Rasa Sayang Sayang eh  
Eh lihat nona jauh rasa sayang sayang eh.

M : Now we can explain in a little while  
This is not an ordinary tropical isle

R : Everything we have has to be the best  
Of the fabulous East and the wonderful West

D : Of all the things we've got that's good

At the top of everybody's list is

All : FOOD!

L : We've got prata, mee pok — so sedap

R : What about the ketupat at the satay club?

D : If no chye tow kway, then kai fan, lor!

M : Eat till you faint, so cheap some more.

L : Ya, the best thing has to be the price

D : Singapore's my Fried Rice Paradise

R : We can eat, eat, eat till we nearly drop

M : Then we all get up and we shop, shop, shop

D : And if you asked us how we rate this place,  
We'll just say this-

All : It's GREAT!

L : 1,2,3...

### **CHORUS**

L : Let's Talk'about work, it's quite OK  
Life here's like a h o l— holiday

M : We take it easy, there's no big rush  
Unlike the other island, north of us!

D : We work, then makan, watch a film  
Enjoy the fruits of tourism

R : There are so plenty tourists, but  
We love their spending money, what!

D : I know I've made it, when on my own  
I can afford a pager PLUS a cordless phone

L : In my Family, I'd wish  
For Miss Singapore and more than 2 kids.

M : Success to us just simply means  
There's such a thing as a Singapore Dream

R : Oi, why you all dowan to say  
You just want lots of money, lay!  
1, 2, 3...

**CHORUS**

**(Dialogue)**

L : So, when you think about it, how, ah?

M : OK, lah — can't complain

R : Happy meh? Singaporeans famous for  
complaining

D : Wen, lah — must let off steam, what!

All : Ya, lah etc

D : Let's all sing together  
1,2,3

**CHORUS (D only)**

**CHORUS (All)**