

## **Florence welcome song**

We worked hard with our hands and hearts  
To build her out of wood  
We took our time and put in sweat  
To make her strong and good

We assembled keel and installed ribs  
We shaped the stern and bow  
We sanded hard and varnished wood  
Our boat is ready now

Singing we're racing in Florence  
She'll glide through the sea  
Singing we're racing in Florence  
On to victory

Our crews line up on Brixham's shore  
To take her out to sea  
We'll row with heart and mind and grit  
There's no timidity

The Florence wills us ever on  
To leave the rest behind  
Our rivals covet Brixhams gig  
She's perfectly designed

Singing we're racing in Florence  
She'll glide through the sea  
Singing we're racing in Florence  
On to victory

So young and old and large and small  
Will sit upon her benches  
And pull an oar to speed her on  
Wherever the event is

We trust her build and love her lines  
She's everything we need  
Cornish born and Devon bred  
She'll help us to succeed

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