**Shanty History**

Sea Shanties (chanties): The word 'chanty' (or shanty) is probably derived from the French word 'chanter' - to sing. Shanties were originally shouted out, with emphasis on a syllable or word as sailors performed their work. Shanties developed separate rhythms for the various chores at sea - for raising the anchor (which was done by marching around the capstan), hauling ropes, etc.

Most songs involved a lead singer and a choral response. The words were called out by a chanteyman and the men joined in on the chorus. The words of the chorus usually coincided with a heave, or pull.

Shanties served both as a mental diversion and synchronized teamwork. They also provided an outlet for sailors to express their opinions in a manner which would not cause punishment. The 'golden age' of shanties was in the nineteenth century

Sea shanties were originally a way to keep the men on a ship working to a rhythm or as a team. Not a lot of work takes place nowadays while singing – in fact it is most definitely a social event

Keep Hauling

[Fisherman's Friends](https://www.google.com/search?q=Fisherman%27s+Friends&stick=H4sIAAAAAAAAAONgVuLSz9U3SMowzzIoXMQq7JZZnJFalJuYp16s4FaUmZqXUgwA887poiQAAAA&sa=X&ved=2ahUKEwjNq92okMDpAhWLYcAKHfs-AL4QMTAAegQIDxAF)

When love just seems so far away  
Keep haulin', keep haulin'  
The tide will flood your heart someday  
Keep haulin', boys

When your guidin' star's in cloudy skies  
Keep haulin', keep haulin'  
You'll find your way to the bright sunrise  
Keep haulin', boys

Keep haulin', ho!  
Rouse and raise your voice  
Hold your course and don't let go  
Keep haulin', boys

If you gave your best and your heart stayed true  
Keep haulin', keep haulin'  
There's only one thing left to do  
Keep haulin', boys

If you fought so hard and you lost your hold  
Keep haulin', keep haulin'  
Remember fate rewards the bold  
Keep haulin', boys