



THE LITTLE MERMAID - UNDER THE SEA




The seaweed is always greener
 In somebody else's lake
 You dream about going up there
 But that is a big mistake
 Just look at the world around you
 Right here on the ocean floor
 Such wonderful things surround you
 What more is you lookin' for?
 Under the sea
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 Darling it's better
 Down where it's wetter
 Take it from me
 Up on the shore they work all day
 Out in the sun they slave away
 While we devotin'
 Full time to floatin'
 Under the sea
 Down here all the fish is happy
 As off through the waves they roll
 The fish on the land ain't happy
 They sad 'cause they in their bowl
 But fish in the bowl is lucky
 They in for a worsen fate
 One day when the boss get hungry
 Guess who's gon' be on the plate?

Questions

- Where would you find seaweed? Have you ever touched it? What did it feel/ smell/ look like?
- Why would Ariel dream about going 'up there'? Where is 'up there'?
- Sebastian says this is a big mistake. Why do you think he says this? Do you think it would be a mistake? Why/why not?
- Ariel's world is the ocean floor. Would you like this to be your world? What kinds of things make up your world?
- What wonderful things do you think make up Ariel's world? Why do you think she wants to leave it?
- 'While we devotin'. What does 'devoting' mean? Why do you think it is spelled slightly different in the lyrics?
- Sebastian compares the fish in the sea to the fish on land. Why do you think he does this? Is it convincing?
- What does 'fate' mean?
- Who do you think is going to be on the plate?
- Can you summarise Sebastian's main points to convince Ariel to stay under the sea? Pretend you are Ariel. Can you come up with an argument for each point?