

**WE CAN MAKE A  
CHANGE**

**LYRIQ Music School**

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## INTRODUCTION:

This is an alternating leader and group lullaby-like song that involves clapping and “drumroll” stomping. It is also interactive - in a few parts, children will speak individually when gestured to.

## PERFORMANCE NOTES:

Everyone is sitting. Parts sung by everyone will exclusively be the chorus (“We can change the world together”, and clapping/stomping parts). At a few points, the teaching artist will cue the children one at a time (labelled as **Child 1**, **Child 2**, etc.) to share their home location within Chicago. The TA will need to extend this part by repeating the pattern in that section (E to D to E), depending on the class size.

*Keywords are underlined in the lyrics, and can be found on the keyword sheet.*

### CLAPPING:

Claps have x-noteheads and are in a line in the upper register of the staff



We can change the world

### STOMPING:

In the **lead sheet**, the stomping parts are indicated with triangle noteheads.



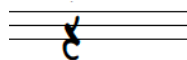
stomp your feet...

### NON-PITCHED VOCALS:

The children’s shouted parts are shown as blanks, while other speech is quoted.



You can change... \_\_\_\_\_!



"Last time!"

# LYRICS

**TA:**

I can make a change,  
You can make a change,  
I can make a change,  
We can make a change...

Everybody stomp your feet...

**All:**

We can change the world together,  
We can change the world together,  
We can change the world together,  
Change starts with me.

**TA:**

Let's celebrate the places where we're from  
Somewhere can be home to anyone  
Let us be respectful...  
And we'll uplift everyone  
So come on, all together...  
The movement has begun

**TA:**

You can change \*gesture\*

**Child 1:**

\_\_\_\_\_!

**TA:**

You can change \*gesture\*

**Child 2:**

\_\_\_\_\_!

**TA:**

You can change \*gesture\*

**Child 3:**

\_\_\_\_\_!

**TA:**

Chicago can change

**TA:**

Sometimes life is easier for some  
Just because of how they look, how come?  
Everyone should treat each other...  
Fairly just as one  
The more diversity...  
The more we have fun

**TA:**

I can make a change  
You can make a change  
I can make a change  
We can make a change

Everybody stomp your feet...

**All:**

We can change the world together  
We can change the world together  
We can change the world together  
Change starts with me

**TA:**

Let's celebrate the places where we're from  
Somewhere can be home to anyone  
Let us be good neighbors...  
We have so much love to give  
So, come on, let's all shout...  
The places where we live!

**TA:**

You can change \*gesture\*

**Child 4:**

\_\_\_\_\_!

**TA:**

You can change \*gesture\*

**Child 5:**

\_\_\_\_\_!

**TA:**

You can change \*gesture\*

**Child 6:**

\_\_\_\_\_!

**TA:**

Chicago can change

**TA:**

Sometimes life is harder for some folks  
That's unfair! Let's reach for our hopes...  
For a future where no one's mistreated...  
Based on race...  
Let's fight for equality...  
Injustice will be faced!

**All:**

We can change the world together  
We can change the world together  
We can change the world together  
Change starts with me

**TA:**

Let's celebrate the places where we're from  
Somewhere can be home to anyone  
Let us say the names...  
Of where we proudly call our home  
When we work together...  
We're never alone

**TA:**

You can change \*gesture\*

**Child 7:**

\_\_\_\_\_!

**TA:**

You can change \*gesture\*

**Child 8:**

\_\_\_\_\_!

**TA:**

You can change \*gesture\*

**Child 9:**

\_\_\_\_\_!

**TA:**

Chicago can change

One more time everybody...

**All:**

We can change the world together  
We can change the world together  
We can change the world together  
Change starts with me

**TA:**

Last time!

**All:**

We can change the world together  
We can change the world together  
We can change the world together  
Change starts with me \*a big applause with  
'yays'\*

# WE CAN MAKE A CHANGE!

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SWEETLY ♩ = 72

ALL   
I can make a change, You can make a change, I can make a change,

ALL   
We can make a change, E-very-bo dy stomp your feet... We can change the world to - ge - ther,

ALL   
We can change the world to - ge - ther, We can change the world to - ge - ther, Change starts with me. Let's

TA   
ce - le brate the pla - ces where we're from some where can be home\_ to an - y\_

TA   
one let's all be res - pect - ful and we'll up - lift eve - ry one\_ So  
let us be good neigh - bors we have so much love to give\_ So

TA   
come on\_ all to - ge - ther\_ the move - ment has be gun\_ You can change... \_\_\_\_\_!  
come on\_ let's all shout\_ the plac - ces where we live\_

TA   
You can change... \_\_\_\_\_! You can change... \_\_\_\_\_! Chi - ca - go - can\_ change

TA   
Some - times life is ea - si - er for\_ some just be - casue of how they look, how  
Some - times life is har - der for some folks That's not fair! Let's re - ach for our

TA   
come? Eve - ry - one should treat each - o - ther\_ fair - ly just as - one. The  
hopes For a fu - ture where no one's mis - trea - ted for their race Let's

28 **TA** *G* *G7* *C* **ALL** *C*

more di - ver - si - ty\_\_ the more we have fun! We can change the world to - ge - ther,  
fight for e - qual ity\_ in - justice will be\_ faced!

31 **ALL** *G* *C* *F/C* *C* **TA**

We can change the world to - ge - ther, We can change the world to - ge - ther, Change starts with me. Let's

34 **TA** *F/C* *C* *G/B*

ce - le brate the pla - ces where we're from some where can be home\_ to an - y\_\_

37 **TA** *C* *F/C* *C*

one Let us say the names of where we proud - ly call our\_\_ home

40 **TA** *G* *G7* *C*

When we work to - ge - there\_ we're ne - ver a - lone! You can change... \_\_\_\_\_!

43 **TA** *G* *C* *F/C* *C*

You can change... \_\_\_\_\_! You can change... \_\_\_\_\_! Chi - ca - go - can\_ change

46 **ALL** *C* *G*

We can change the world to - ge - ther, We can change the world to - ge - ther,

48 **ALL** *C* *F/C* *C* *F* *C*

We can change the world to - ge - ther, Change starts with me. "Last time!" Change starts with me

51 **ALL** *\*class applause\**

"Yay!! Yay!!!"