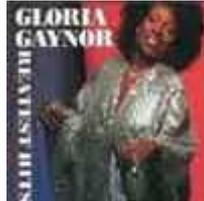


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CENTRO DE AUTOAPRENDIZAJE
IDIOMA: INGLÉS
PRÁCTICA: COMPRENSIÓN ORAL
NIVEL: NIVEL AVANZADO
MATERIAL: CINTA-CD / CUESTIONARIO / SOLUCIONES
TEMA: ESTRUCTURAS Y LÉXICO NIVEL AVANZADO



In March 1979 **Gloria Gaynor's *I Will Survive*** was Number One in Britain and America. In its first ten months the record sold seven million copies. The lyrics can be interpreted as a female declaration of resistance.

Gloria re-recorded the song in 1993, changing the line “it took all the strength I had not to fall apart” for “only the Lord can give me strength”, reflecting her recently-discovered Christianity.

But this doesn't mean that the song lost its feminist undertones. Gloria has been defined as “**one of the most casually influential political figures in the popular culture of the 1970s and 1980s**”.

Today, several decades later, *I Will Survive* is the most requested Karaoke song in the world.



The words of the song are correct but the order of the lines within each part of the song has been changed.
Read the song first and try to rearrange the lines. Then listen and check.

Gloria Gaynor

VERSE I

- 1 At first I was afraid, I was petrified,
- 2 If I had known for just one second you'd be back to follow me.
- 3 But then I spent so many nights thinking how you did me wrong
- 4 I should have made you leave your key.
- 5 I should have changed that stupid lock.

- 6 So now you're back, from outer space.
- 7 Kept thinking I could never live without you by my side.
- 8 That I grew strong and I learned how to get along.
- 9 I just walked in to find you here with that sad look upon your face.

CHORUS

- 1 Oh no, not I. I will survive.
- 2 Weren't you the one who tried to hurt me with "goodbye"?
- 3 Do you think I crumbled? Do you think I lay down and died?
- 4 Go on now, go! Walk out the door,
- 5 Oh, as long as I know how to love I know I'll stay alive.
- 6 And I will survive, I will survive, hey, hey.
- 7 Just turn around now, 'cos you're not welcome anymore.
- 8 And I've got all my love to give,
- 9 I've got all my life to live,

VERSE II

- 1 I used to cry, but now I hold my head up high.
- 2 It took all the strength I had not to fall apart,
- 3 And so you felt like droppin' in and just expect me to be free,
- 4 Now I'm savin' all my lovin' for someone who's lovin' me.

- 5 Just trying hard to mend the pieces of my broken heart.
- 6 I'm not that chained-up little person still in love with you.
- 7 And I've spent oh-so many nights just feeling sorry for myself.
- 8 And you see me, somebody new,

CHORUS (x2)

KEY



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