

It Takes A Village

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What does it take, for a baby girl to grow up good and strong?
What does it take for a baby girl?
What does it take for a baby boy to grow up full of love?
What does it take for a baby boy?

Chorus:

It takes a village,
It takes a village to raise a child.
It takes a village,
No one can do it alone.
It takes a village to raise a child.

And in the early years of life
What does a newborn need to be whole, to thrive in every way?
In these crucial early years, when the brain is growing,
And the love for a lifetime takes hold.

Not just parents' love, not just love of the family
It takes all of this and more
Not just teachers who care, not just the care of doctors
It takes all of this and more.

How about the love of farmers?
How about the business people?
How about the people who pass the laws?
How about your next-door neighbor?
How about the corner grocer?
It takes all of this and more.