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The proverbs in this book contain the collective folk wisdom of the Caribbean people in general. The proverbs come

directly from the days of slavery and in most cases show just how much human suffering our ancestors had to endure. These words of wisdom will bring you nearer to the Caribbean and its people. . .

From the Publisher These proverbs contain the collective folk wisdom of the Caribbean people. They embody what they have had to tell themselves to see past past limitations to future possibilities (todeh nuh kill tomorrow.) In many instances the proverbs seemed to be coming directly from slavery days (Cow seh "Backra work never done"; Mule seh "it must done") indicating the staying power of proverbs. The proverbs poke fun at pretentiousness (table napkin waan tun table cloth); offer challenges (mi yeye is mi market and yu is mi coco basket); issue instructions to belligerent children (hard ears pickney nyam rockstone); is used to guard against laziness (Too much siddung bruk trousers pants); details how to protect one's self (A de quiet cow de butcher kill), in short, the proverbs tell how we have, and continue, to survive; implicit in all of these proverbs is not only the will to live, but that this is one's only choice.