

# 'Opae E

## Israel Kamakawiwo'ole

`Ôpae ê, `Ôpae ho`i  
Shrimp, Shrimp return  
Ua hele mai au, ua hele mai au  
I am coming hither, I am coming hither  
Na Kuahine\*  
For Sister.Hui: / Aia wai, aia puhi  
There's water, there's eel  
Nui `o Puhi a li`i li`i au  
Big (is) Eel and little (is) me.  
A`ole loa.  
Absolutely not.  
Pûpû ê, Pûpû ho`i  
Shellfish, Shellfish return  
Ua hele mai au, ua hele mai au  
I am coming hither, I am coming hither  
Na Kuahine  
For Sister.(E hana hou i ka hui)  
(Repeat )Kûpe`e ê, Kûpe`e ho`i  
Sea snail, Sea snail return  
Ua hele mai au, ua hele mai au  
I am coming hither, I am coming hither  
Na Kuahine  
For Sister.  
'Opihi ê, 'Opihi ho`i  
Limpet, Limpet return  
Ua hele mai au, ua hele mai au  
I am coming hither, I am coming hither  
Na Kuahine  
For Sister.Mai maka'u, na'u e pani  
(I'm) Not afraid, for me to block/cover  
I ka maka a `ike `ole  
the eyes (of the puhi so he) cannot see  
Kêlâ puhi  
That eel.\*kuahine = sister of a brother, pronunciation of "k"  
can vary from a k-sound to a t-sound.

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