

## **King And I Soundtrack**

### **"Finale Ultimo"**

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Anna and Louis are packing the last of their belongings,  
Lady Thiang appears with the news that the King is dying.  
Anna finds the King in his study surrounded by wives and children, and watches as he passes on the crown to his eldest son. In his first hesitating moment as King. Chulalongkorn reveals the influence of Anna's teaching, and Anna, trembling with emotion, realizes the magnitude of her Accomplishments. As Chulalongkorn ascends the throne, the King dies, confident that his son will carry on in ways that he could not.

Children  
Getting to know you, putting it my way,  
But nicely,  
You are precisely,

Anna  
My cup of tea.

Louis  
Mother, now that the King is dying, does that make you friends again.

Anna  
I suppose so, Louis. We can't hurt each other anymore.

Louis  
He'd always frightened me.

Anna  
Oh I wish you had known him better. You two could have been such good friends; in many ways, he was just as young as you.

Louis  
Was he as good a King as he could have been?

Anna  
I don't think any man has ever been as good a King as he  
could have been. But this one tried, he tried very hard.

Louis  
You really liked him, didn't you, mother?

Anna  
Yes, Louis, I liked him very much. Very much indeed.

Louis  
Mother, it's the boat. It's time to go.

Anna  
Louis, run down to the boat and ask Captain Northon to  
take  
our things off.

Louis  
Yes, mother.

King  
Several weeks I've not seen you, Misses Anna, and now  
I die.

Anna  
No, your Majesty...

King  
This is not scientific. I know when I die or do not die!  
Misses Anna you take notes. You take note from next  
King.  
Well, suppose you are a King, is there nothing you  
would do?

Prince  
I would make proclamations!

King  
Yes!

Prince  
First I would proclaim for coming New Year fireworks!

King  
Hmm...Hmm?

Prince  
Also boat races!

King  
Boat races? Why? Boat races in New Year's  
celebration?

Prince  
I like boat races. And father, I would like to make a  
Second proclamation.

King  
Yes, what is your second proclamation? Make it! Make  
it!

Prince  
Regarding custom a-bowing to King, unfashionable at  
all.  
I do not believe this is good thing. Causing  
embarrassing  
To everybody, degrading experience or so, etecetara,  
etecetara, etecetara! And this bad thing, I believe. You  
are angry with me, my father?

King  
Oh, why do you ask question? When you are a king, you  
are king!  
You do not ask question of sick man, nor of woman!  
Misses Anna,  
this proclamation against bowing to king, I believe to  
be your  
fault!

Anna  
Oh I hope so, your Majesty! I do hope so!

Ensemble  
He'll always need your love  
And so he'll get your love-  
A man who needs your love  
Can be Wonderful.

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