TALK TO THE ANIMALS-Leslie Bricusse

4/4 1…2…123 (without intro)

Intro:  

If I could talk to the animals, just i-magine it, chatting with a chimp in chimpan-zee  
If we could talk to the animals, learn all their languages, maybe take an animal de-gree  

Imagine talking to a tiger, chatting with a cheetah, what a neat achievement it would be! (2nd verse)  
I’d study elephant and eagle, buffalo and beagle, alligator, guinea pig, and flea  

I would con-verse in polar bear and python, and I would curse in fluent kanga-roo  

If people asked me, "Can you speak rhi-noceros?" I’d say, "Of courseros, can't you?"  
If I con-ferred with our furry friends, man to animal, think of the a-mazing re-par-tee  

If I could walk with the animals, talk with the animals  

Grunt and squeak and squawk with the animals, and they could talk to me  

If I con-sulted with quadrupeds, think what fun we'd have asking over crocodiles for tea!  

If I spoke slang to o-rangutans, the ad-vantages, why, any fool on earth could plainly see!  

Or maybe lunch with two or three lions, walruses and sea lions  
Discussing Eastern art and dramas, with intellectual llamas  

What a lovely place the world would be! (2nd verse “If I spoke slang…”)  
That's a big step forward you'll a-gree!
I'd learn to speak in antelope and turtle, and my Pekin-ese would be extremely good

If I were asked to sing in hippo-potamus, I'd say "why-notamus" and I would!

If I could parlay with pachyderms, it's a fairy tale worthy of Hans Anderson and Grimm

A man who walks with the animals, and talks with the animals

Grunts and squeaks and squawks with the animals, and they could talk to him!

Instrumental verse:

I'd study every creature's language, so I could speak to all of them, on sight

If friends said "can he talk in crab or maybe pelican," you'd say "Like hell, he can" and you'd be right!

And if you just stop and think of it, ain't no doubt of it, I'm gonna win a place in history

If I could walk with the animals, talk with the animals, grunt, squeak, squawk with the animals

And they could squeak...and...squawk...

And...speak...and...talk to me!
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                                   Cm7
                        F7  Bb  Eb9  Bb  Eb9....BbMA7
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