You're the bread that's on the table from the wheat out in the field

You're the crane that loads the iron ore that we turn into stee

You're a farmer or a drover, you're a lonely shearer's wife But to all of us Australians, you're the country way of life

You're the wine that's in the cellar from the vineyards in the south

You're the cheese, the milk, the butter that feeds a nation's m outh

You're the mighty irrigation, the hope of powerless time But to all of us Australians, you're the country way of life

When days are tough and even best of time

The land you love won't pay you much to keep your dreams alive You call yourself Australian 'cause you know you've earned the right

To the people in the cities, that's the country way of life

You're the little towns we've heard of, seven houses and a pub You're the way you help each other way out there in the scrub You're the tyranny of distance, you're the misery of miles But to all of us Australians, you're the country way of life You're the tyranny of distance, the clear blue open skies But to all of us Australians, you're the country way of life But to all of us Australians, you're the country way of life