

Can I get tested?

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When we get to the lab we test for
Starch, blue-black is the result
We test for proteins
We test for fats
All these are tests

Test for coronavirus
Test for tuberculosis
Test for malaria
Test for typhoid
Yes, teenagers can also get tested for pregnancy

I am standing on the threshold
It's like I am between a hard place and a rock
Its predicament
That's indecision
The decision I have to make
I am on the hands of dilemma
I am not alone

The professional and the nonprofessional
The educated and the uneducated
The politician and the voter
The preacher and his followers
The Christians and the nonbelievers
All are suffering from indecision
I am not alone

Shall I, shall I not
I am on a cliff
Just a push it will send me into the gorge
It's a lifetime decision I have to make

Is it necessary to ask?
Is it necessary to know?
Is it necessary to debate?
Is it necessary to argue about HIV/AIDS prevalence?

The taste OF the fruit is in its freshness
If you wait for it to dry the freshness disappears

The taste disappears
It's all because of procrastination
It has stolen people's time the results are often disastrous

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All suffer from procrastination

What are they afraid of?
What is their worry?
With all that we know about HIV/AIDS
With all the overwhelming information
All the evidence
All the misery why
Why suffer from indecision

Today I dare to be different
Different from the rest
No more procrastination
No more suffering from indecision
Today is the day
I have got to be smart

No more influence from my parents
No more influence from my teachers
No more influence from my siblings
No more influence from my peers
I am smart now

This is about my life
This is about my decision
Life transforming decision
Information is power
My life, my decision, my Future Life Now

I am off to the clinic to get tested
No more procrastination
Any company?
HIV/AIDS is real

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