

We Are Indy

We are Indy: We are Harroun and Dawson
And Thomas and Goux. We are history!
We are Indy: We are Hunter-Reay and Franchitti
And Kanaan and Montoya. We are now!
We master going faster! We are Indy!
We are Indy: In sync in a blink and burn
Is our only energy drink! Pure motorsport spirit!
We are the greatest spectacle in racing,
The triple crown of motorsport, 300,000 strong!
We are Indy: Dialed in, tuned in; locked,
Ready to begin; on the limit in a New York minute!
We master going faster! We are Indy!
We are Indy: In a single-seat, open cockpit car,
With a 2.2 liter, twin-turbocharged,
Direct-injected V-6 engine, optimized to run
500 to 700 horsepower, 235 miles per hour.
We master going faster! We are Indy!
We are Indy: Stoked and ready; rocking steady,
One breath; burning rubber without spinning wheels;
Running the fastest lap; we are pole position.
We are Indy: We come, sporting colors, backing teams;
Then suddenly, we all forget; our favored car,
Each vain regret; as we are Indy, as we master
Going faster; we all win when the checkered
Flag is waved! We all reach for a bottle of milk!
And we will always master going faster! We are Indy!

—G.E. Schwartz, West Henrietta, NY

From the author: *There are many thrills to fill the senses when you experience an Indy 500 race-- even if you can only watch it on TV! After all, it's incredible: And even if you don't know who you're pulling for, the last 100 laps are nerve-wracking! But the biggest thrill of an Indy 500 race is the crowd, and how for a while during the race, we are all one.*