

WAY BACK IN HAMELIN
(SONG 1)

WAY BACK A LONG TIME IN A PLACE, HAMELIN TOWN.
EVERY PERSON WAS WEARING A FROWN,
AND THE CAUSE OF THE PEOPLE'S UTTER DESPAIR
AND THE REASON THE PEOPLE WERE TEARING THEIR
HAIR,
WAS A WORD THAT FOREVER HUNG IN THE AIR:

CHORUS
RATS, BIG FAT
RATS, UGLY
RATS, MESSY
RATS, FILTHY
RATS, STINKING
RATS, EVERYWHERE!

EVERY PLACE THAT YOU LOOKED WERE THEIR CRIMES,
EVEN IN CORNERS WHERE SUN COULDN'T SHINE,
AND THE CAUSE OF THE PEOPLE'S UTTER DESPAIR,
AND THE REASON THE PEOPLE WERE TEARING THEIR
HAIR,
WAS A WORD THAT FOREVER HUNG IN THE AIR:

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RATS, EVERYWHERE!

FAT ONES, THIN ONES
(SONG 6)

THERE WERE BIG ONES, SMALL ONES
GREY AND BLACK AND BROWN
FAT ONES, THIN ONES
RACING UP AND DOWN
SCURRYING DOWN THE COBBLES TO THE PIPING
PIPER'S CALL
TILL THERE WASN'T A SINGLE RAT LEFT IN THE
TOWN AT ALL

ADD SECOND PART
FAT ONES, THIN ONES, THIN ONES, FAT
GREY ONES, WHITE ONES, BROWN AND BLACK
FAT ONES, THIN ONES, THIN ONES, FAT
GREY ONES, WHITE ONES, BROWN AND BLACK

ADD THIRD PART
SUCH BIG RATS!
BIG AND FAT!

SUCH BIG RATS, SO BIG AND BIG AND FAT!

THE MAYOR'S SONG
(SONG 3)

MAYOR
IM THE MAYOR OF THIS TOWN
THE MOST IMPORTANT HERE
AND IVE TRIED EV'RYTHING I KNOW
BUT LOOK AROUND IT DOESN'T SHOW
THE RATS ARE VERY MUCH HERE AND THEY KNOW
THAT
EV'RYTHING WE TRY IS SO USELESS (USELESS)
EVERY LITTLE TRICK IN THE BOOK (IN THE BOOK)
AND IT'S ALL SO SAD
WE SHALL ALL BE GLAD
WHEN WE SEE THE BACK OF THESE RATS!

ALL
HE'S THE MAYOR OF THIS TOWN
THE MOST IMPORTANT HERE
AND HE'S TRIED EVERYTHING HE KNOWS
BUT LOOK AROUND IT DOESN'T SHOW
THE RATS ARE VERY MUCH HERE AND THEY KNOW
THAT
EV'RYTHING WE TRY IS SO USELESS (USELESS)
EVERY LITTLE TRICK IN THE BOOK (IN THE BOOK)
AND IT'S ALL SO SAD
WE SHALL ALL BE GLAD
WHEN WE SEE THE BACK OF THESE RATS!

A HUNDRED SILVER PIECES
(SONG 7)

MAYOR
A HUNDRED SILVER PIECES DID I REALLY SAY
THAT THAT WAS THE AMOUNT I WAS PREPARED TO PAY?
IT SEEMS A HUGE AMOUNT FOR SUCH A LITTLE TASK
PERMISSION FROM MY PEOPLE I WILL SURELY HAVE TO ASK.

CHORUS
PART 1
IT'S A SHAME
SHAME, SHAME
WE SAY,
IT IS SUCH A SHAME
IT'S A SHAME
SHAME, SHAME
TO PAY FOR HIS GAME

PART 2
A HUNDRED SILVER PIECES DID HE REALLY SAY
THAT THAT WAS THE AMOUNT HE WAS PREPARED TO PAY?
IT SEEMS A HUGE AMOUNT FOR SUCH A LITTLE TASK,
PERMISSION FROM HIS PEOPLE HE WILL ASK.

MAYOR
A PIPING LITTLE TUNE AND JUST A FUNNY DANCE
WAS ALL YOU HAD TO DO TO PUT THEM IN A TRANCE
A VERY SIMPLE THING, YOU SURELY MUST AGREE,
A HUNDRED SILVER PIECES IS FAR TOO HIGH A FEE.

CHORUS
INSTRUMENTAL
CHORUS

PIED PIPER'S SONG
(SONG 4)

LOOK YOU HERE, DID YOU EVER SEE
ANYBODY LOOKING AS FUNNY AS ME?
LONG SKINNY LEGS AND A VERY TALL HAT.
BUT WHAT YOU DIDN'T KNOW IS IM THE PERSON
THAT
WITH MY LITTLE PIPE AND ITS MAGIC B FLAT
CAN RID YOUR TOWN
OF THE PLAGUE OF THESE RATS!

INSTRUMENTAL

WE AGREE IT IS REALLY TRUE
NOBODY LOOKS AS FUNNY AS YOU
LONG SKINNY LEGS AND A VERY TALL HAT
BUT WHAT WE DIDN'T KNOW IS YOU'RE THE
PERSON THAT
WITH YOUR LITTLE PIPE AND ITS MAGIC B FLAT
CAN RID OUR TOWN
OF THE PLAGUE OF THESE RATS!

NO DEAL!
(SONG 8)

SILLY PIPER - WHAT A CLOWN.
WITH HIS SILLY FLOWING GOWN.
NOT A PENNY WILL HE GET
WE WILL NEVER PAY OUR DEBT
DID THE JOBS THAT MADE US SHIVER
DROVE THE RATS INTO THE RIVER
NOT A PENNY WILL HE GET
WE WILL NEVER PAY OUR DEBT

NOW THE PIPER'S GOT THE SACK
WON'T BE BRINGING THE VERMIN BACK.
NOT A PENNY HE WILL GET,
WE WILL NEVER PAY OUR DEBT.
LET THE MAN BE ON HIS WAY,
WE CANNOT AFFORD TO PAY, HEY!
NOT A PENNY WILL HE GET,
WE WILL NEVER PAY OUR DEBT!

SILLY PIPER THERE'S NO DEAL,
YOU HAVE LOST YOUR STRANGE
APPEAL.
SILLY PIPER THERE'S NO DEAL,
YOU HAVE LOST YOUR STRANGE
APPEAL.

MOANING SONG
(SONG 2)

SUNG IN THREE PARTS STARTING WITH PART 1

UP INTO THE RAFTERS AND UNDERNEATH THE STAIRS
AND CHEWING AT THE TABLES AND THE CHAIRS
EVEN IN OUR BEDROOMS AND TAPPING ON THE FLOOR
WE DON'T THINK WE CAN TAKE THIS ANY MORE!

MOAN MOAN MOAN MOAN.
MOAN MOAN MOAN MOAN.
MOAN MOAN MOAN MOAN, MOAN!

RATS! RATS!
RATS! FILTHY RATS!
RATS! RATS!
RATS! FILTHY RATS!

THE PIPER'S THREAT
(SONG 9)

PIED PIPER
I AM NOT A MAN TO SPEAK WITH PRETTY ELOQUENCE
BUT I CAN TRULY SAY YOU WILL REGRET THE CONSEQUENCE
OF FAILURE TO HAND OVER WHAT YOU PROMISED HERE TO ME
WITH BITTER TEARS AND SADNESS YOU WILL VERY SHORTLY
SEE.

CHORUS
PIED PIPER
A PROMISE IS A PROMISE
YOU SHOULD NEVER BREAK YOUR WORD.
A PROMISED IS A PROMISE,
YOU SHOULD NEVER BREAK YOUR WORD.

MAYOR
A HUNDRED SILVER PIECES
DID I REALLY SAY
THAT THAT WAS THE AMOUNT
I WAS PREPARED TO PAY
IT SEEMS A HUGE AMOUNT
FOR SUCH A LITTLE TASK,
PERMISSION FROM MY PEOPLE
I WILL ASK.

ALL YOUR GOOD INTENTIONS NOW HAVE FALLEN INTO DUST,
AND I HAVE NO ALTERNATIVE, I REALISE THAT I MUST,
TO TEACH YOU ALL A LESSON MAKE A SITUATION CLEAR,
I'LL TAKE AWAY THE CHILDREN THAT YOU HOLD SO VERY DEAR.

CHORUS

DOUBLE CHORUS
(ADD 3RD PART/CAST)
IT'S A SHAME, SHAME, SHAME
WE SAY IT IS A SUCH A SHAME.
IT'S A SHAME, SHAME, SHAME,
TO PAY FOR HIS GAME.

OUR CHILDREN HAVE GONE AWAY
(SONG 10)

OUR CHILDREN HAVE GONE AWAY
THERE'S NOTHING THAT WE CAN SAY.
NO SMILING FACES AROUND ANYMORE,
NO DIRTY FINGERS OR TOYS ON THE FLOOR,
NOTHING BUT EMPTINESS STARES EVERYWHERE,
OUR CHILDREN HAVE GONE AWAY,

REPEAT VERSE 1

FAR, FAR AWAY, FAR, FAR AWAY,
FAR, FAR AWAY, FAR, FAR AWAY.

WHAT A DREAM
(SONG 11)

WHAT A DREAM IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN,
IF ONLY TO EXPLORE,
THE LOVELY THINGS OF PROMISE THAT THE
PIPER HAD IN STORE,
ID CLIMB A THOUSAND MOUNTAINS
AND WALK A THOUSAND MORE,
TO REACH THE MAGIC MUSIC
ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE DOOR,

INSTRUMENTAL

REPEAT VERSE 1

WE HAVE LEARNED A LESSON
(SONG 12)

WE HAVE LEARNED A LESSON HERE TODAY
THAT WHATEVER YOU AGREE TO SAY
YOU SHOULD ALWAYS STICK TO IT
WAVER NOT A BIT
FOR YOUR WORDS SHOULD BE TRUE
IT IS REALLY UP TO YOU, SO

CHORUS:

NEVER BREAK A PROMISE, ALWAYS KEEP YOUR WORD.
REMEMBER THE PEOPLE OF HAMELIN
AND THE LESSON THEY HAVE LEARNED
NEVER BREAK A PROMISE, ALWAYS KEEP YOUR WORD
REMEMBER THE PEOPLE OF HAMELIN
AND THE LESSON THEY HAVE LEARNED

REPEAT VERSE 1

LAST CHORUS:

NEVER BREAK A PROMISE, ALWAYS KEEP YOUR WORD.
REMEMBER THE PEOPLE OF HAMELIN
AND THE LESSON THEY HAVE LEARNED
NEVER BREAK A PROMISE, ALWAYS KEEP YOUR WORD
REMEMBER THE PEOPLE OF HAMELIN
AND THE LESSON THEY HAVE LEARNED
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