

ANNIE, ORPHANS

Yes, Miss Hannigan.

MISS HANNIGAN

Now!

(The ORPHANS run for pails and return to front.)

Why any kid would want to be an orphan, I'll never know.

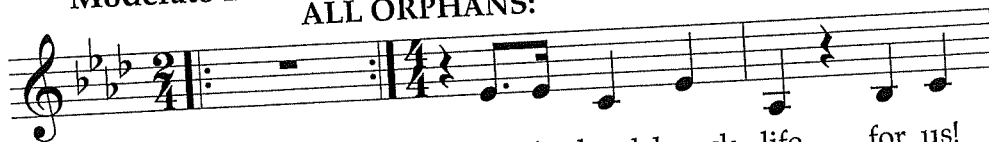
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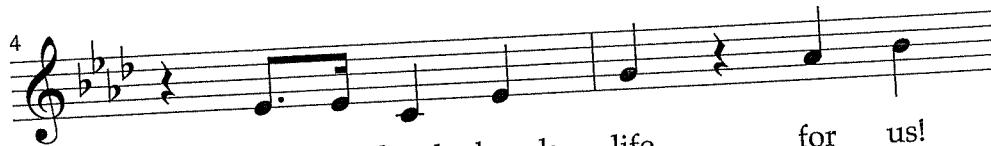
(As MISS HANNIGAN exits slamming the door behind her, the ORPHANS throw down their scrub brushes.)

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ALL ORPHANS:



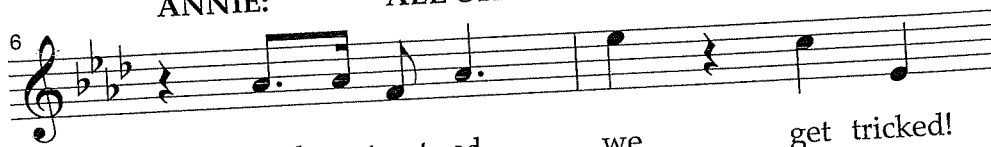
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ANNIE:

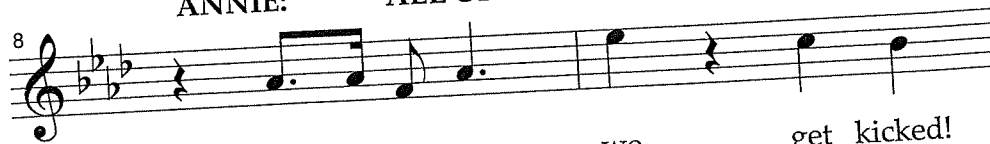
ALL ORPHANS:



'Stead - a treat - ed, we get tricked!

ANNIE:

ALL ORPHANS:



'Stead - a kiss - es, we get kicked!



It's the hard-knock life! Got no folks to



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speak of, so, it's the hard-knock row we hoe!

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ANNIE: Cot - ton blan - kets,
ALL ORPHANS: 'stead - a wool!

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ANNIE: Emp - ty bel - lies,
ALL ORPHANS: 'stead - a full!

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It's the hard-knock life!
ANNIE: Don't it

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feel like the wind is al - ways howl - in'? Don't it

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seem like there's nev - er an - y light? Once a

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day, don't you wan - na throw the towel in? It's

29 **ANNIE:**
eas - i - er than put - tin' up a fight. No one's

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there when your dreams at night get

32 **MOLLY:**
creep-y! — No one cares if you grow or if you

34 **TESSIE:**
shrink! No one dries when your eyes get wet an'

36 **ALL ORPHANS:**
weep-y! — From the cry-in', you would think this place-'d

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sink! Ohhhh!!!! Emp-ty-bel-ly life!

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Rot - ten, smel - ly life!

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Full-of-sor-row life! No to-mor-row life!

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MOLLY:

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San - ta Claus, we nev - er see.

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PEPPER:

"San - ta Claus," what's that? Who's he?

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ALL ORPHANS:

No one cares for you a smidge

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when you're in an or - phan - age!

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It's the hard - knock life!

MOLLY: (making a whistling sound and imitating Miss Hannigan) You'll stay up till this dump shines like the top of the Chrysler Building.

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60 ALL: (except MOLLY)

Yank the whis-kers from her chin.

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Jab her with a safe-ty pin.

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Make her drink a Mic-key Finn.

66 (spoken)

I love you, Miss Han-ni - gan!

(ANNIE and the ORPHANS finish the cleaning and strip the beds. MOLLY continues her imitation of Miss Hannigan.)
MOLLY: Get to work! Strip them beds! I said get to work!
(She mimes taking a flask out of a pocket and taking a drink.)

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75 ALL: (except MOLLY)

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It's the hard - knock life for us!

MOLLY: (drunkenly)
Merry Christmas.

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It's the hard - knock life for us!



MOLLY: Merry Christmas.

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(MOLLY falls into the laundry hamper and is covered with sheets the children have stripped from the beds.)

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(MISS HANNIGAN, now dressed, enters and whistles. ANNIE and the ORPHANS run to their line up in front of their beds, but ANNIE's attention remains on the laundry. She is hatching an idea.)

MISS HANNIGAN

Good morning, children.

ORPHANS

Good morning, Miss Hannigan.

MISS HANNIGAN

Well?

ORPHANS

I love you, Miss Hannigan.

MOLLY

(from the hamper)
I love you, Miss Hannigan.