

[FAGIN (spoken)]
You see, Oliver...

[sung] In this life, one thing counts
In the bank, large amounts
I'm afraid these don't grow on trees,
You've got to pick-a-pocket or two

You've got to pick-a-pocket or two, boys,
You've got to pick-a-pocket or two.

[BOYS]
Large amounts don't grow on trees.
You've got to pick-a-pocket or two.

[FAGIN (spoken)]
Let's show Oliver how it's done, shall we, my dears?

[sung] Why should we break our backs
Stupidly paying tax?
Better get some untaxed income
Better pick-a-pocket or two.

You've got to pick-a-pocket or two, boys
You've got to pick-a-pocket or two.

[BOYS]
Why should we all break our backs?
Better pick-a-pocket or two.

[FAGIN (spoken)]
Who says crime doesn't pay?

[sung] Robin Hood, what a crook!
Gave away, what he took.
Charity's fine, subscribe to mine.
Get out and pick-a-pocket or two

You've got to pick-a-pocket or two, boys
You've got to pick-a-pocket or two.

[BOYS]
Robin Hood was far too good
He had to pick-a-pocket or two.

[FAGIN]

Take a tip from Bill Sykes
He can whip what he likes.
I recall, he started small
He had to pick-a-pocket or two.

You've got to pick-a-pocket or two, boys
You've got to pick-a-pocket or two.

[BOYS]

We can be like old Bill Sykes
If we pick-a-pocket or two.

[FAGIN (spoken)]

Stop thief!

Dear old gent passing by
Something nice takes his eye
Everything's clear, attack the rear
Advance and pick-a-pocket or two.

You've got to pick-a-pocket or two, boys
You've got to pick-a-pocket or two.

[BOYS]

Have no fear, attack the rear
Advance and pick-a-pocket or two.

[FAGIN]

When I see someone rich,
Both my thumbs start to itch
Only to find some peace of mind
I have to pick-a-pocket or two.

You've got to pick-a-pocket or two, boys
You've got to pick-a-pocket or two.

[BOYS]

Just to find some peace of mind

[FAGIN AND BOYS]

We have to pick-a-pocket or two!

Dialogue

[FAGIN (spoken)]

Like you saw the others do

Rum Tum Tum

Rum Tum Tum

Pom Pom Pom

Pom Pom Pom

Skidd-le-eye-tye

Tee-rye-tye-tye

Tee-rup-pa Tup-pa Rup-pa-tum-tum

You've got to pick-a-pocket or two, boys

You've got to pick-a-pocket or two. (Repeat to End)