

DEL

Good. Now scram, ya little monkey.

(GABE leaves)

DEL (CONT'D)

So. Where were we?

LOIS

Well, I was gonna ask if you ever thought of adding a couple of back-up singers to your act.

DEL

Listen. Sweetheart. Puttin' on a show ain't as easy as it looks. You need a certain... *je ne sais pas*.

LOIS

Oh, I got plenty of that! Please, Del? Pretty please?

DEL

I'll give you this, kid: You got moxie. But this producer is comin' Sunday night...

LOIS

... which is why it couldn't hurt to give your act a little extra pizzazz!

DEL

You think so, huh?

LOIS

I know so! Get a load of this!

(Sings, "Stupid Cupid":)

STUPID CUPID, YOU'RE A REAL MEAN GUY  
I'D LIKE TO CLIP YOUR WINGS SO YOU CAN'T FLY  
I'M IN LOVE AND IT'S A CRYING SHAME  
AND I KNOW THAT YOU'RE THE ONE TO BLAME  
HEY HEY! SET ME FREE  
STUPID CUPID STOP PICKIN' ON ME

DEL

Not bad. But you gotta put your body into it.

(Sings:)

CAN'T DO MY HOMEWORK AND I CAN'T THINK STRAIGHT  
I MEET HER ON THE CORNER BOUTA HALF PAST EIGHT  
I'M ACTIN LIKE A LOVESICK FOOL  
SHE'S EVEN GOT ME CARRYIN' HER BOOKS TO SCHOOL  
HEY HEY! SET ME FREE  
STUPID CUPID STOP PICKIN' ON ME

DEL AND LOIS

YOU MIXED ME UP BUT GOOD  
RIGHT FROM THE VERY START  
NOW GO PLAY ROBIN HOOD  
WITH SOMEBODY ELSE'S HEART...

(They dance — it ends with a big LOIS dance solo)

So what do you say? LOIS

I say you're in! Rehearsal starts at 3:00. DEL

I'll be there. LOIS

Great. DEL

And so will Marge. LOIS

(The music abruptly cuts out)

Marge? Come on. I want you in the band. But her? No way. DEL

Well then I'm sorry. I'm here for Marge. If you won't have my friend, then you won't have me either. LOIS

So be it. DEL

But it's your loss. Marge's father is always sayin' she should be on the radio. And he knows what he's talkin' about. He's in the music business. LOIS

Oh yeah? What's he do? DEL

He's a manager. LOIS

A manager! A manager is just what I need to impress this Bandstand cat on Sunday! DEL

But Del, you don't understand... LOIS

What do ya mean? Is Marge's father a manager or ain't he? DEL

He is... He's definitely a manager. LOIS

Then she's in. DEL

(Music starts to creep back in)

LOIS  
And can you show her a little extra attention? Maybe even take her on a date?

DEL  
You bet your bippy I will!

LOIS AND DELL  
This is perfect!

(And they sing...)

DEL AND LOIS  
YOU GOT ME JUMPIN' LIKE A CRAZY CLOWN  
AND I DON'T FEATURE WHAT YOU'RE PUTTIN' DOWN  
SINCE I KISSED YER LOVIN' LIPS OF WINE  
THE THING THAT BOTHERS ME IS THAT I LIKE IT FINE

HEY HEY SET ME FREE

DEL  
STUPID CUPID STOP PICKIN' ON ME

DEL AND LOIS  
HEY HEY SET ME FREE

LOIS  
STUPID CUPID STOP PICKIN' ON ME

DEL AND LOIS  
HEY HEY SET ME FREE

DEL  
I SAID STUPID CUPID,

LOIS  
I SAID STUPID CUPID,

DEL  
OH, PLEASE WONT YOU CUT OUT.

LOIS  
WONT YOU CUT IT OUT!