Matchmaker

Original Film Soundtrack

Hodel:
Well, somebody has to arrange the matches,
Young people can't decide these things themselves.Chava:
She might bring someone wonderful----Hodel:
Someone interesting----Chava:
And well off----Hodel:
And important---Matchmaker, Matchmaker,
Make me a match,
Find me a find,
catch me a catch
Matchmaker, Matchmaker
Look through your book,
And make me a perfect matchChava:
Matchmaker, Matchmaker,
I'll bring the veil,
You bring the groom,
Slender and pale.
Bring me a ring for I'm longing to be,
The envy of all I see.Hodel:
For Papa,
Make him a scholar.Chava:
For mama,
Make him rich as a king.Chava and Hodel:
For me, well,
I wouldn't holler
If he were as handsome as anything.Matchmaker, Matchmaker,
Make me a match,
Find me a find,
Catch me a catch,
Night after night in the dark I'm alone
So find me match,
Of my own.(spoken)Tzeitel:
Since when are you in a match, Chava? I thought you had your eye on your books.(Hodel chuckles)Tzeitel con't:
And you have your eye on the Rabbi's son.Hodel:
Well, why not?
We have only one Rabbi and he has only one son.
Why shouldn't I want the best?Tzeitel:
Because you're a girl from a poor family.
So whatever Yenta brings, you'll take, right?

Of course right!(throws scarf over her head, imitating Yenta)
(singing)Hodel, oh Hodel,
Have I made a match for you!
He's handsome, he's young!
Alright, he's 62.
But he's a nice man, a good catch, true?
True.I promise you'll be happy,
And even if you're not,
There's more to life than that---
Don't ask me what.Chava, I found him.
Won't you be a lucky bride!
He's handsome, he's tall,
That is from side to side.
But he's a nice man, a good catch, right?
Right.You heard he has a temper.
He'll beat you every night,
But only when he's sober,
So you'll alright.Did you think you'd get a prince?
Well I do the best I can.
With no dowry, no money, no family background
Be glad you got a man!Chava:
Matchmaker, Matchmaker,
You know that I'm
Still very young.
Please, take your time.Hodel:
Up to this minute,
I misunderstood
That I could get stuck for good.Chava and Hodel:
Dear Yenta,
See that he's gentle
Remember,
You were also a bride.
It's not that
I'm sentimentalChava and Hodel and Tzeitel:
It's just that I'm terrified!Matchmaker, Matchmaker,
Plan me no plans
I'm in no rush
Maybe I've learned
Playing with matches
A girl can get burned
So,
Bring me no ring
Groom me no groom
Find me no find
Catch me no catch

Unless he's a matchless match.

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