Cheapskates (Live at the Lyceum)

The Clash

I have been a washer up An' he has been a scrubber up An' I seen him a picking up

Dog ends in the rain

An' he has never read a book

Though I told him to take a look

He lifted his pool hall cue

For another game

But it ain't no modern miracle

That we found the golden rule

What you can't buy you gotta steal

An' what you say can't steal you better leaveI don't like to hang about

In this lonely room

'Cause London is for going out

And trying to hear a tune

But people come pouncing up to me

And say what are you doing here

You're supposed to be a star

Not a cheapskate bleeding queerLike a load of rats from a sinking ship

You slag us down to save your hip

But you don't give me the benefit

Of your doubt

'Cause I'll bite it off and spit it outWe're cheapskates anything'll do

We're cheapskates what are we supposed to do?

An' we can rock

Hey hey let's roll

An' we can walk

An' do the strollJust because we're in a group

You think we're stinking rich

'N we all got model girls

Shedding every stitch

'N You think the cocaine's flowing

Like a river up our noses

'N every sea will part for us

Like the red one did for MosesWell I hope you make it one day

Just like you always said you would some day

And I'll get out my money and make a bet

That I'll be seein' you down the launderette

Songwriters

STRUMMER, JOE / JONES, MICK / SIMONON, PAUL / HEADON, TOPPERPublished by Lyrics © Universal Music Publishing Group Song Discussions is protected by U.S. Patent 9401941. Other patents pending.

Lyrics provided by https://damnlyrics.com/