## **Punish the Monkey**

## **Mark Knopfler**

Theyre driving long nails into coffins

Youve been having sleepless nights

Youve gone as quiet as a church mouse

And checking on your rightsThe boss has hung you out to dry

And it looks as though

Punish the monkey

And let the organ grinder goYouve been talking to a lawyer

Are you gonna pretend

That you and your employer

Are still the best of friends? Somebodys gonna take the fall

There's your quid pro quo

Punish the monkey

Punish the monkey, yeah

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And let the organ grinder goHere comes a policeman

He wont be sidetracked

Hes asking bout a smoking gun

Hes after the badIts a quiet life from here on in

You dropped your poisoned cup

The telephone is ringing

But youre not picking upTimes I've said are flunky

And everybody knows

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