

# O Children

## Nick Cave & The Bad Seeds

Pass me that lovely little gun  
My dear, my darling one  
The cleaners are coming, one by one  
You don't even want to let them start They're knocking now upon your door  
They measure the room, they know the score  
They're mopping up the butcher's floor  
Of your broken little hearts (Oh, children)  
Forgive us now for what we've done  
It started out as a bit of fun  
Here, take these before we run away  
The keys to the gulag (Oh, children)  
(Lift up your voice, lift up your voice)  
(Children)  
(Rejoice, rejoice) Come on  
Come on  
Come on  
Here comes Frank and poor old Jim  
They're gathering round with all my friends  
We're older now, and the light is dim  
And you are only just beginning (Oh, children)  
We have the answer to all your fears  
It's short, it's simple, it's crystal-clear  
It's roundabout and it's somewhere here  
Lost amongst our winnings (Oh, children)  
(Lift up your voice, lift up your voice)  
(Children)  
(Rejoice, rejoice) The cleaners have done their job on you  
They're hip to it, man, they're in the groove  
They've hosed you down, you're good as new  
And they're lining up to inspect you (Oh children)  
Poor old Jim's white as a ghost  
He's found the answer that was lost  
We're all weeping now, weeping because  
There ain't nothing we can do to protect you (Oh, children)  
(Lift up your voice, lift up your voice)  
(Children)  
(Rejoice, rejoice) (Hey little train, we're jumping on)  
(The train that goes to the Kingdom)  
We're happy, Ma, we're having fun

And the train ain't even left the station(Hey, little train, wait for me)  
(I once was blind but now I see)  
And have you left a seat for me?  
Is that such a stretch of the imagination?(Hey little train, wait for me)  
(I was held in chains but now I'm free)  
I'm hanging in there, don't you see?  
In this process of elimination(Hey little train, we're jumping on)  
(The train that goes to the Kingdom)  
We're happy, Ma, we're having fun (children)  
It's beyond my wildest expectation (oh, children)(Hey little train, we're jumping on)  
(The train that goes to the Kingdom)  
We're happy, Ma, we're having fun  
The train ain't even left the station (oh, children)  
(Hey, little train, wait for me)  
(I once was blind but now I see)

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