**It's a hard-knock life**  
  
It's a hard-knock life for us!  
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'Steada treated, We get tricked!

'Steada kisses,We get kicked!  
It's a hard-knock life!

Got no folks to speak of, so,  
It's the hard-knock row we hoe

Cotton blankets, 'Steada wool!

Empty Bellies, 'Steada full!

It's a hard-knock life!

Don't it feel like the wind is always howlin?  
Don't it seem like there's never any light?  
What's a day you don't wanna throw the towel in?  
It's easier than putting up a fight.  
No one's there when your dreams at night get creepy!  
No one cares if you grow or if you shrink!  
No one dries when your eyes get wet and weepy  
From the crying you would think this place’d sink! Ohhhh….

Empty belly life!  
Rotten smelly life!  
Full of sorrow life!  
No tomorrow life!

Santa Claus we never see,   
Santa Claus? What's that? Who's he?   
No one cares for you a smidge  
When you're in an orphanage  
It's the hard knock life

*Spoken by Miss Hannigan: You'll stay up 'til this dump shines like the top of the Chrysler Building!*

Yank the whiskers from her chin  
Jab her with a safety Pin  
Make her drink a Mickey Finn  
I love you Miss Hannigan.  
  
*Get to work! I said get to work!*

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When you’re in an orphanage

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