

## Sucker Row

Mark Knopfler

Somebody's gotta crack a whip around here  
Who's minding the store?  
Shake it up sell some beer  
What's your money maker for?

Pay day, we're packin' 'em in  
Six-gun annie and buffalo jill  
But who's to say they'll be back again  
For a refill?  
Honey, you know the drill

Ain't no left turn down sleepy time street  
You gotta be fast but you gotta stay loose  
Thinking on your feet  
Slick as grass through a goose

We gotta rationalise  
The payroll is giving me chills  
You and me's getting organised  
It's kill or be killed  
Honey, you know the drill

Well they can all look down on sucker row  
But they all forget  
The tallest trees from acorns grow  
Though they ain't yet  
I never look down on a sucker stake  
They all pay the bills  
I never gave a sucker an even break  
And I never will

A beautiful vision keeps coming to me  
I see a miracle mile  
Flying in for free  
Service with a smile

High rollers, fancy hotels  
Big time singers, topping the bill  
You gotta have a feel  
For the stuff that sells  
Call it a skill  
Honey, you know the drill

Somebody's gotta crack a whip around here  
Who's minding the store?  
Shake it up sell some beer  
Money walking through the door  
Annie's arriving at a dangerous age  
Don't you go getting ill  
Get another woman up in the cage  
Who ain't over the hill  
Honey, you know the drill