

## **Barbra Streisand**

### **"Status Quo"**

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Are you ready to hear your lesson for the day?

-yes, teacher! yes, teacher!

Are you ready to learn what history has to say?

-yes, teacher! yes, teacher!

Then take your books and follow me to 1776 ad

And as the history page is turned we will see what we  
can learn

-yes, teacher! yes, teacher! yes, teacher!

In 1776 tom paine was writing books with a might and  
main

The tory said "now man alive"

Stop giving out with this here liberty jive

-stop giving out with this here liberty jive

Don't sing of people's rights that way

They might believe in what you say

So stop your song it's not polite

Pipe down before you start a fight

-you don't say, teacher, is that right?

Aha, but tom paine looked ahead

And to those tories thomas said no, no, no, no

When you got to go, you got to go

You can't stand still on freedom's track

If you don't go forward, you go back

You can't giddyup by saying whoa

And sitting on your status quo

-yes, teacher! yes, teacher! yes, teacher! yes, teacher!

To washington at valley forge

A wise guy whispered slow down, george

Why start up trouble for the king

This freedom racket is a corny thing

-this freedom racket is a corny thing

Your troops are ickys they can't move

You'll never get them in the groove  
So if you're wise, you'll just lay low  
And play with the guys that have the dough

-you don't say teacher, is that so?

Aha, but george just looked ahead  
And to that tory georgie said...no...no, no, no  
When you got to go, you got to go  
You can't stand still on freedom's track  
If you don't go forward, you go back  
You can't giddyup by saying whoa  
And sitting on your status quo

-yes, teacher! yes, teacher!

Now paul revere saw a bellfry light  
And that boy rode to town one night  
Sang to the farmers near and far  
Here come the british beating eight to the bar

One slippery tory said now paul  
You're manners aren't nice at all  
Turn back, don't be an old hep cat  
The right people don't sing like that

-butpaul revere turn him down flat  
Aha, that's right, he rode ahead  
And to that tory paul just said, no, no, no, no  
When you got to go, you got to go  
You can't stand still on freedom's track  
If you don't go forward, you go back  
You can't giddyup by saying whoa  
And sitting on your status quo

Yes, teacher! yes, teacher! yes, teacher  
So, students now you're hep, don't stop!  
Keep stepping to that freedom hop  
Although the tory's beef and blow  
To keep you sitting on your status quo

-to keep you sitting on your status quo

When they say let's stand still a bit  
Give up some rights, no harm in it  
Remember those are just the tricks  
That did not work in 76

-now ain't that right, the same old tricks?

Though torys talk: don't be misled

And do what all those others said

No, no, no, no

When you got to go, you got to go

You can't stand still on freedom's track

If you don't go forward, you go back

You can't giddyup by saying whoa

And sitting on your status ...

Sitting on, yes, sittin' on your, status...

Quo!

Oh!

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