

## **Gilbert And Sullivan**

### **"Duet Ludwig And Lisa"**

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LUD:

Pretty Lisa, fair and tasty,  
Tell me now, and tell me truly,  
Haven't you been rather hasty?  
Haven't you been rash unduly?  
Am I quite the dashing sposo  
That your fancy could depict you?  
Perhaps you think I'm only so-so?  
(She expresses admiration.)  
Well, I will not contradict you!

CHORUS:

No, he will not contradict you!

LISA:

Who am I to raise objection?  
I'm a child, untaught and homely--  
When you tell me you're perfection,  
Tender, truthful, true, and comely--  
That in quarrel no one's bolder,  
Though dissensions always grieve you--  
Why, my love, you're so much older  
That, of course, I must believe you!

CHORUS:

Yes, of course, she must believe you!

CHORUS:

If he ever acts unkindly,  
Shut your eyes and love him blindly--  
Should he call you names uncomely,  
Shut your mouth and love him dumbly--  
Should he rate you, rightly--leftly--  
Shut your ears and love him deafly.  
Ha! ha! ha! ha! ha! ha!  
Thus and thus and thus alone  
Ludwig's wife may hold her own

