

## **Monkees**

### **"Penny Music"**

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Throw a penny from the window  
Watch an old man play a song  
On a twenty dollar violin  
He bought before the war

Though he screeches and he scratches  
And the notes are always wrong  
But he plays like he's in concert  
On the street outside my door

Tunes to suit your fancy  
Are there any requests?  
I'll play them for a penny  
(Play them penny music, play them for a penny)  
And not a penny less

He's the local virtuoso  
It's his only way of life  
Plays ninety-seven overtures  
And goes home to his wife

In the quiet of the evening  
While his frozen fingers bleed  
He counts pennies on a blanket  
To supply his meager need

Tunes to suit your fancy  
Are there any requests?  
I'll play them for a penny  
(Play them penny music, play them for a penny)  
And not a penny less

When there's frost upon the pumpkin  
In the weakness of the sun  
People stand there in the cold  
Until his symphony is done

In the early gray of morning  
He's sure to come around  
You can hear him through the window  
When the pennies hit the ground

Tunes to suit your fancy  
Are there any requests?  
I'll play them for a penny  
(Play them penny music, play them for a penny)  
And not a penny less

They're playing penny music  
Playing penny music  
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