

## The Manhattan Transfer

### "Meet Benny Bailey"

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Let me introduce you  
I've heard that boredom's entered your life  
And you're feelin' real low  
Have you met Benny Bailey?  
Well he's a fella that you should know

They tell me lassitude's has laid you low  
An' you're losin' your grip  
you must meet Benny Bailey  
At least he's somebody who is hip

To cure an ennui, you need a bon nuit  
It's part o' the joie de vie  
And his attention, I'm loathe to mention  
Is, incident'ly, available

And so if providence should decree  
Who'll stand in the way  
So you'll meet Benny Bailey  
And you'll remember your lucky day

Background Vocals: Once you've met  
You won't forget  
No stuff  
Benny's tough  
(Repeat 1,2,3)

This could be your lucky day  
Incident'ly, he's the sort  
Tho' seen at court  
Carries an awful lotta weight  
In many less royal quarters  
Filled with less than regal daughters  
Quite the quixotic Romeo whom every  
Filly'll know because they find his  
Reputation wherever they go  
Whether it's here  
Or whether it's in another boudoir  
Whee!  
He's such a scandal, really  
T' handle him demands a savoir fairer

And a great indulgence rarer  
Than any that I've encountered surveyin' the scene  
But never mind, I'll explain it later  
The fact is that he's always ready to please  
And that's aroused a lot o' chatter  
But it really doesn't matter, not to him  
No siree! It's 'bout as big t'him as any flea  
He's gotta be maitre'd  
Or so it seems to me  
Wait'll y'meet, you'll see what I'm sayin'

Background Vocals: Meet this cat  
He's where it's at  
That's right, outta sight  
Benny Bailey  
He's no slouch  
For this I'll vouch  
He's cool, he's no fool

To cure an ennui  
You need a bon nuit  
It's part of the joie de vie

He's the kind o'cat people hear about  
But in a second-handed way  
That there's nothing really clear about

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We're glad you got to meet Benny Bailey  
I'm happy fin'lly meeting with you

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