

Lords Of Labour
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[Intro]

G Bm C Am D

[Verse 1]

G D
The lords of labour they plot together
Em Bm
Their bankrupt schemes to keep us down.
C G
Their message to the working class
D G D
Is to cringe before the rich man s frown.
G D
They say that it s in the whole country s interest
Em Bm
To tighten our belts and make no demands.
C D G
But they speak for the class that exploits us and rules us
Am D
And we must get them off our hands.

[Verse 2]

G D
Our labour power is all we have
Em Bm
We must sell it at the rich man s price
C G
This system is called wage slavery
D G D
But democracy sounds a bit more polite.
G D
They say that if our wage increases
Em Bm
That prices will rise to compensate
C D G
But the only ones who receive compensation
Am D
Are capitalist vampire who suck out our life.

[Chorus]

G Bm C D
Oppose all attempts to make the working class pay for the capitalist crisis.
G Bm C Am Am7
D
Oppose all attempts to make the working class pay for the capitalist crisis.

[Verse 3]

G D

The capitalists fight with one another

Em

Bm

To corner the market and divide up the world

C

G

Their quest for maximum profit

D

G

D

Is the cause of war and puts us on the dole.

G

D

Their greed leads them into a crisis

Em

Bm

Which they try to resolve with a more fascist state

C

D

C

Our struggle s against the whole capitalist system

Am

D

So strike at the fascists as well as the cuts.

[Chorus]

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