

**Lords Of Labour**  
**Cornelius Cardew**

[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]

**G**

**Bm**

**C**

**D**

Oppose all attempts to make the working class pay for the capitalist crisis.

**G**

**Bm**

**C**

**Am**

**Am7**

**D**

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