

Gangsters
The Specials

...GANGSTERS... by The Specials

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[Intro]

(Bernie Rhodes knows; don t argue!)

Bb

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e|-----|
B|-----|
G|-----|
D|-----|
A|-----|
E|--5-3-0-3--5-5--5-3-3--0--3--| (x2)
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[Verse 1]

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Bbm           A           Bbm
Why must you record my phone calls?

           A           Bbm
Are you planning a bootleg LP?

Bbm           A           Bbm
You Said you ve been threatened by gangsters

           Eb           C#           F7
Now it s you that s threatening me.
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[Verse 2]

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Bbm           A           Bbm
Can t fight corruption with con tricks,

           A           Bbm
They use the law to commit crime.

           A           Bbm
And I dread, dread to think, what the future will bring,

C#           G#           F7
When we re living in gangster time.
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(Don t call me Scarface)

[Bridge]

Bb

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e|-----|
B|-----|
G|-----|
D|-----|
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A|-----|
E|--5-3-0-3--5-5--5-3-3--0--3--| (x2)
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[Solo]

(Guitar plays):

Bbm A Bbm (x3), Eb C# F7

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e|-----|
B|--5-----5-6-5-----|
G|-----8--5--8-----8-5-4-2-0--|
D|-----|
A|-----|
E|-----| (x3)
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e|--5--5-5-5--5--5-8--8-8-8--8--8--|
B|-----|
G|-----|
D|-----|
A|-----|
E|-----|
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e|--12-12-12-12-12-12-12-12-12-12-12-12--|
B|-----|
G|-----|
D|-----|
A|-----|
E|-----|
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[Verse 3]

Bbm A Bbm
 Don t interrupt while I m talking,
A Bbm
 Or they ll confiscate all your guitars,
A Bbm
 A catch 22 says, if I sing the truth
c G# F7
 They won t make me an overnight star.

[Verse 4]

Bbm A
 Don t offer us legal protection,
Bbm A
 They use the law to commit crime.
A Bbm
 And I dread, to think, what the future will bring,
C# G# F7
 When we re living in real gangster time.

(Bernie Rhodes knows; don t argue!)

[Outro]

Bb

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e|-----|
B|-----|
G|-----|
D|-----|
A|-----|
E|--5-3-0-3--5-5--5-3-3--0--3--| (x2)
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Bb

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CHORD DIAGRAMS:

Bb	Bbm	A	Eb	C#	F7	G#
EADGBE	EADGBE	EADGBE	EADGBE	EADGBE	EADGBE	EADGBE
577655	577555	466544	x57775	x35553	x79797	355433

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