EVERYBODY SAYS DON'T
from Anyone Can Whistle

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Allegro moderato

HAPGOOD:

Ev'ry-bod-y says don't, Ev'ry-bod-y says don't, Ev'ry-bod-y says: don't walk on the
grass, Don't disturb the peace, Don't skate on the ice.

Well, I say do!

I say Walk on the grass, it was meant to feel! I Say

Sail! Tilt at the wind-mill And if you fall, you fall!
Ev'ry-bod-y says don't, Ev'ry-bod-y says don't, Ev'ry-bod-y says: don't get out of line. When they say that, then, La-dy, that's a sign: Nine times out of ten, La-dy, you are do-ing just fine!

Make just a rip-ple. Come on, be brave.
This time a ripple,  

Next time a wave!  

Sometimes you have to start small,  

Climbing the tiniest wall,  

Maybe you're going to fall, --  

But it's better than not starting at all!  

Ev'rybody says no, Ev'rybody says stop, Ev'rybody says: mustn't rock the
boat! Mustn't touch a thing! Ev'rybody says

don't, Ev'rybody says wait, Ev'rybody says: can't fight City Hall. Can't.

up-set the cart, Can't laugh at the King.

Well, I say try!
I say: Laugh at the kings or they'll make you cry!

Lose your poise! Fall if you have to,

(Spoken) But, lady, make a noise! Ev'rybody says

(Sung) don't, Ev'rybody says can't, Ev'rybody says: wait a round for miracles,
That's the way the world is made! I insist on miracles, if you do them, miracles!

Nothing to them! I say, don't be afraid!