

# You'll Have to Swing It (Mr. Paganini)

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The concert was over in Carnegie Hall  
The maestro took bow after bow  
He said, "My dear friends, I have given my all  
I'm sorry, it's all over now"  
When from the balcony way up high  
There suddenly came a mournful cry

Oh, Mr. Paganini  
Please, play my rhapsody  
And if you cannot play it, won't you sing it?  
And if you can't sing you simply have to

Listen Paganini  
We breathlessly await your masterful détente  
Go on and sling it  
And if you can't sling it you simply have to

We heard your repertoire  
And at the final bar  
We greeted you with wild applause  
But what a great ovation  
Your interpretation of:  
'I never cared much for moonlight skies  
I never blinked back at fireflies'  
Would do

So, Paganini don't you be a meanie  
What have you up your sleeve?  
Come on and spring it  
And if you can't spring it, you simply have to

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And if you cannot play it, won't you sing it?  
If the boys is bopping  
Ain't no need in stopping

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Swing it