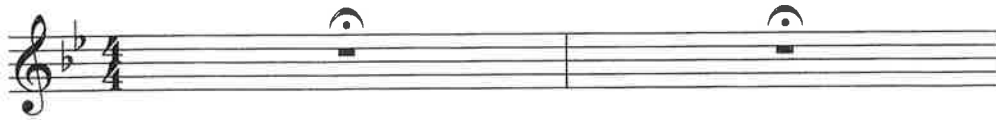


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# WHAT YOU WANT (PART 1)

(ELLE:) Someone  
*lawyerly!*

Someone who  
wears black even  
when nobody's dead!



Girls, I  
have a—

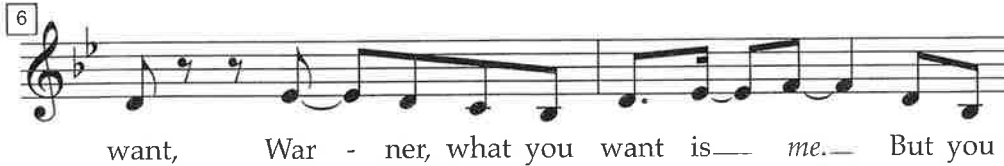
(ELLE:)

**Brightly**



Com-plete-ly bril-liant plan!

What you



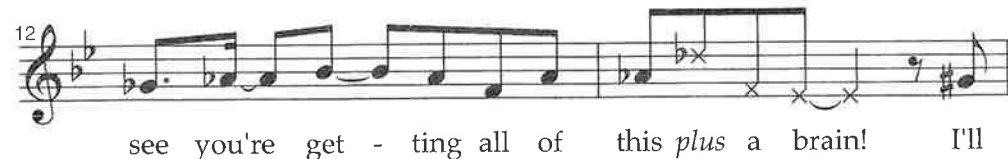
want, War - ner, what you want is— me.— But you



need to— see— me in a brand new do-main. Well it's plain,




— War - ner, in a diff - 'rent set - ting, you will



see you're get - ting all of this plus a brain! I'll

14



meet you there at Har - vard with a book in my hand. Big

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stur - dy book! — Big word - y book! —

17



Full of words I'll un - der - stand, And

18



right there — is where you'll see it — too: War - ner,

20



what you want — is right in front of —

21

**ELLE,**  
**GROUP 1:**



you! It's — clear. Right — here.

**GROUP 2:**



What you want! What you want!

23

Is right in front of you, Front of you!—

What you want Is right in front of you, Front of you!—

25

It's— clear. Right— here.

—What you want! What you want!

27

Is right in front of you, Front of you!—

What you want Is right in front of you, Front of you!—

29

**ELLE:**

Step One: He's off to Har - vard Law,—

30 **(ELLE:)**

— So I get in there too. Make War-ner re-as-sess: Im-

**ALL:**

Step Two?

32

press him with my high I. Q.

Step

33

We throw a great big wed-ding, And—

Three! And—

34

— in-vite all Del-ta Nu!

**KATE:**

— in-vite all Del-ta Nu! That's great. Nice plan. Now

(Meet KATE, Delta Nu's scholastic chair.)

(KATE:) Harvard Law School?

ELLE: I have a 4.0 average.

KATE: Yeah, in fashion merchandising.  
What makes you think you can do this?

(KATE:)

can we think this through?

41 ELLE:

Love! I'm do-ing this for love, And love will see me

through; Yes, with love— on my side I can't lose,

— And Har-vard can't re - fuse— A love so pure and


true... Don't law-yers feel love too?


KATE:


E - ven if they do: What you

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want, sweet-heart, Is no ea - sy— thing. If you're

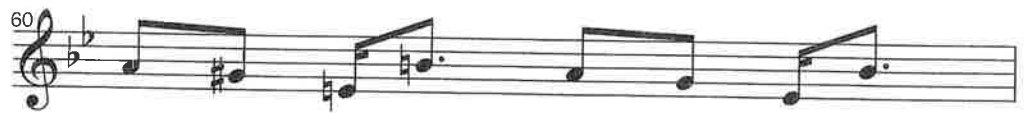
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going to— swing— it, It will

53   
wreck your sen - ior spring. Yeah, it's true:—

54   
— First— you'll need an L - SAT— score of more than


56   
one se-ven-ty four, So no more par-ties for you. You'll

58   
need a kil-ler es - say, Or do not e-ven hope, And

60   
glow - ing let - ters From your bet - ters...


61   
A - ny chance you know the Pope? Oo, **ELLE:**

62 **KATE:**



nope. Too bad, 'cause that would be a— coup. And you've

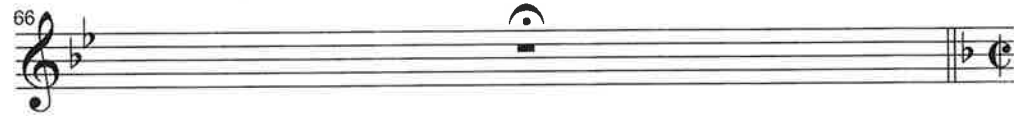
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got a lot— of work in front of— you!

**MARGOT:** Hey, everybody: It's the Spring Fling Bash Extreme!  
**FRAT BOYS:** EXTREME!!!!  
*(ELLE tries to leave but KATE stops her. A desk appears. KATE starts a stopwatch and ELLE sits and takes a practice test.)*  
**KATE:** Not for you. You can either party or get into Harvard Law.  
 Time to study! Go!

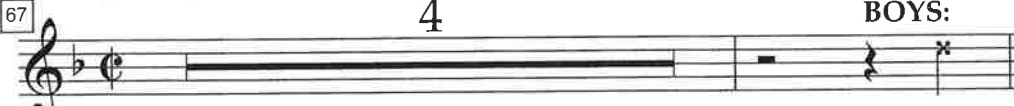
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**MARGOT:** This year's theme? Jamaican Me Crazy!  
*(Poser frat boy GRANDMASTER CHAD leads the party.)*

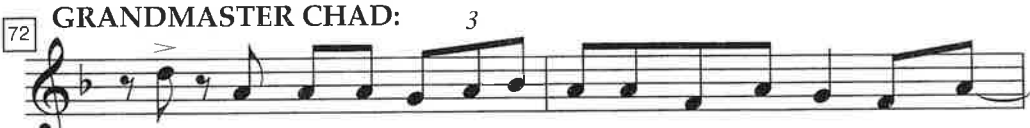
**Bright Reggae (Swing 8ths)**

67 4 **BOYS:**



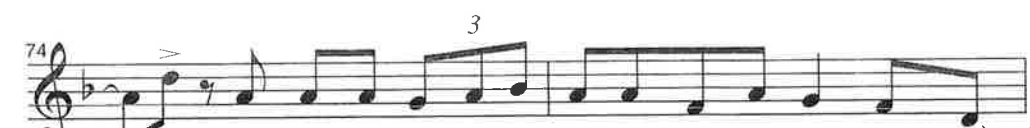
Wo!

72 **GRANDMASTER CHAD:** 3




What u want, u wan-na be out be-cause the sun she warm?

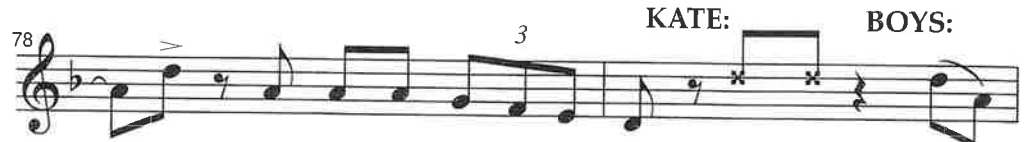
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--What u want, u wan-na be stu-dy stuck in-side your dorm?

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—What u want, u wan-na be par - ty with us all night long?


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—What u want? U wan-na be strong! Be strong! Whoa!—

KATE: BOYS:

(KATE grades Elle's test.)

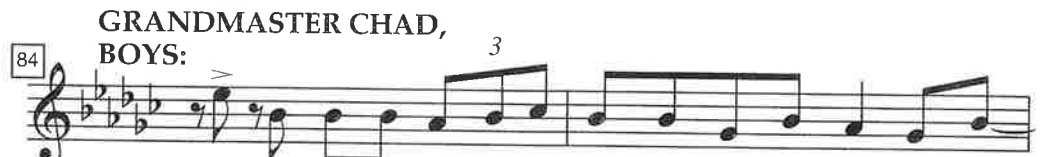
KATE: 134. Not good enough. Try again.

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BOYS,  
KATE:

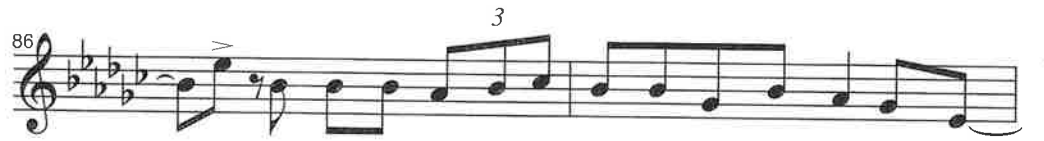
GO!

**Dance hall (straight 8ths)**


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What u want, u wan-na be groov-in, bump-in, shake da room?

GRANDMASTER CHAD,  
BOYS:

86 

—What u want, u wan-na be prov-in' sum-pin', and ta whom?

88 

—What u want, u wan-na be wond'-rin' where ya youth is gone?



90 **ELLE:**  
*Hold on.*

**BOYS:**  
 — What u want? U wan-na hold on! Whoa!—

**KATE:** 151. Still not Harvard material. Once again...  
**Bright Reggae (Swing 8ths)**

**BOYS,**  
**KATE:**  
 GO!

96 **DELTA NUS:**  
**f** Love! She's do - ing this for

**GRANDMASTER CHAD,**  
**BOYS:**  
**p** What u want, u wan-na be breath-in' in the health-y air?

98  
 love,— And that's how she'll sur -

—What u want, u wan-na be chas-in' him and he don' care?

100 *(ELLE hands test to KATE.)*

vive. There you go.

What u want, u wan-na ig-nore the pi-ty in their looks?

102 *(The BOYS try to get ELLE to dance.)*

I said no! Go a-way!

What u want, u wan-na say "Sor-ry, got to hit me books?"

104 **Ben Folds/Ringo Starr feel**

Right here is where she'll

What u want, u wan-na be sit-tin' like a lone-ly child?

106

stay, Un-til that hap-py—

—What u want, u wan-na be driv-in' all the fel-las wild!

108

day... That

What u want, u wan-na be feel-in' good to be a-live?...

(KATE holds up ELLE's test, marked 175 in red pen.)

(DELTA NUS:) KATE: straight 8ths

110

day she hears them say... One se - ven - ty

112 Hallelujah! (Straight 8ths) ELLE:

five! One se - ven - ty

GIRLS,  
BOYS: One se - ven - ty five!

KATE,  
ELLE:

114

five?! One se - ven - ty

One se - ven - ty five! One se - ven - ty

116

five...

five...

(GIRLS squeal and hug as music becomes collegiate and we go to the Admissions Office of Harvard Law School with tweedy Harvard admissions officers.)

**WINTHROP:** So, Harvard Law grants acceptance to Adam Cohen and Sundeep Padamadan.

**LOWELL:** Outstanding.

**WINTHROP:** And now "Ms. Elle Woods." (*confused*) ...who was kind enough to send in... a headshot.

**PFORZHEIMER:** It says here she has a 4.0 average.

**Faster, with pompousness**

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**WINTHROP**

Yes, in *fashion merchandising*.

**LOWELL**

And she got a 175 on her LSATs...

**PFORZHEIMER**

There's also a letter of recommendation from Oprah Winfrey.

**WINTHROP**

I'm not arguing Ms. Woods is entirely unqualified, but she didn't bother sending in a personal essay...

(#8 – WHAT YOU WANT (PART 2) begins.)