Alan Menken, Topsy Turvy

Come one, come all

Leave your looms and milking stools

Coop the hens and pen the mules

Come one, come all

Close the churches and the schools

It's the day for breaking rules

Come and join the Feast of Fools

Once a year we throw a party here in town

Once a year we turn all Paris upside down

Every man's a king and every king's a clown

Once again it's Topsy Turvy Day

It's the day the Devil in us gets released

It's the day we mock the pig and shock the priest

Everything is topsy turvy at the Feast of Fools

(Topsy turvy)

Everything is upsy-daisy

(Topsy turvy)

Everyone is acting crazy

Dross is gold and weeds are a bouquet

That's the way on Topsy Turvy Day

(Topsy turvy)

Beat the drums and blow the trumpets

(Topsy turvy)

Join the bums and thieves and strumpets

Streaming in from Chartres to Calais

Scurvy knaves are extra scurvy on the sixth of January

All because it's Topsy Turvy Day

Come one, come all

Hurry, hurry, here's your chance

See the mystery and romance

Come one, come all

See the finest girl in France

Make an entrance to entrance

Dance la Esmeralda, dance

Here it is, the moment you've been waiting for

Here it is, you know exactly what's in store

Now's the time we laugh until our sides get sore

Now's the time we crown the King of Fools

So make a face that's horrible and frightening

Make a face as gruesome as a gargoyle's wing

For the face that's ugliest will be the King of Fools

Why?

(Topsy turvy)

Ugly folks, forget your shyness

(Topsy turvy)

You could soon be called, " Your Highness "

Put the foulest features on display

Be the king of Topsy Turvy Day

Everybody

Once a year we throw a party, here in town

(Hail to the king)

Once a year we turn all Paris upside down

(Oh, what a king!)

Once a year the ugliest will wear a crown

(Girls, give a kiss)

Once a year on Topsy Turvy Day

(We've never had a king like this)

And it's the day we do the things that we deplore

On the other three hundred and sixty-four

Once a year we love to drop in, where the beer is never stoppin'

For the chance to pop some popinjay

And pick a king who'll put the top in Topsy Turvy Day

Topsy turvy, mad and crazy, upsy-daisy, Topsy Turvy Day