

Geyt a yold in kapelush

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Em B7 B7 Em
 Geyt a yold in ka - pe lush, makht er di fan - ta - zie. Me
 Em B7 Em
 nemt im a - rop dem ka - pe lush, me shmidt im oys in sa - zhe.
 Em Am D7 G
 Ot a - zoy - ne yold - dek-lakh, yol - de - va - te ya - tn,
 Em Am B7 Em
 traybt dem yold in ka - pe lush, un in zayn ta - tns ta - tn.

1. Geyt a yold in kapelush,
makht er di fantazie.

Me nemt im arop dem kapelush,
me shmidt im oys in sazhe.

Refrain:

Ot azoyne yoldiklakh,
yoldevate yatn.
Traybt dem yold in kapelus
un in zayn tatns tnat.

2. Geyt a yold in kapelush,
trogt er a manishke.
M'firt im arayn in shvere vikhukhim,
filt im un di kishke.

Refrain.

3. Geyt a yold in kapelush,
mit a por botfortn.
Er geyt aruf af novi grot,
farshpilt er es in kortn.

Refrain.

1. There goes a fool in a brimmed hat,
pretending that he's a somebody.
Take off his brimmed hat
and smear it with tar.

Refrain:
Such suckers,
foolish kids.

Drive away that fool in the hat
and to hell with him.

2. There goes a fool in a brimmed hat,
wearing a shirt front.
Get him involved in serious debates
so his intestines get full.

Refrain.

3. There goes a fool in a brimmed hat,
with a pair of sturdy boots.
He goes up to the Novigrod neighborhood
and gambles them away in cards.

Refrain.