

IN PRAISE OF LEARNING

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Learn now the sim-ple truth, You, for whom the time has

come at last; It is not too late. Learn now the A B C -

It is not e-nough, but learn it still. Fear not, be not down -

heart-ed. Be - gin you must learn the les - son.

(SOLO) You must beread-y to take o-ver, (ALL) You must be read-y to take

o-ver. Learn it, men on the dole;

Learn it, men in the pris-ons; Learn it, wom-en in

kit-chens; Learn it, men of six-ty-five.

You must be read-y to take o-ver. Go back to school a-gain,

home-less peo-ple; Just learn all you can, you freez-ing ones;

Starv-ing, get hold of a book. Let that be a

(SOLO)
weap-on. You must be read-y to take o-ver,

(ALL)
You must be read-y to take o-ver. Don't hes-i-tate to ask

ques-tions, com-rade, Don't be per-suad-ed, but prove for your-self.

What you don't learn your-self you don't know. Check up the bill, for it's

you who must pay it. Point with your fin-ger to ev-ry i-tem;

(SOLO)
Say that you want it ex-plained. You must be read-y to take

(ALL)
o-ver, You must be read-y to take o-ver.