

The Voice House

Bass section

Who Pays the Piper? Nancy Nicolson

*Who pays, who pays the piper, who-o pays?
Who pays the pi-iper, who calls the tune?
Oh, Who-o pa-ys th-e fe-e?
Flames on the water and death on the sea.*

Yes, And the song is old, and is always told
How the brave and bold they do flourish,
How bravely they bravely they gamble with other men's lives
And profit while other men perish.

Yes, And the tune resounds, and is always found
When the ground receives yet another
Father of father of dazed and despairing young bairns
Or the son of a desolate mother.

Yes, And the price is dear for the folk who fear
And who bear the burden of sorrow
For those who were those who were lost where the graph of the cost
Crossed the graph of rich pickings tomorrow.