

Rock the Casbah

INTRO

VERSE 1

Now the king he told the boogie men
You have to let that raga drop
The oil down the desert way
Has been shaken to the top
The Sheik, he drove his Cadillac
He went a' cruisin' down the ville
The muezzin was a' standing
On the radiator grille

CHORUS

Sharif don't like it, Rock the Casbah, Rock the Casbah
Sharif don't like it, Rock the Casbah, Rock the Casbah

VERSE 2

By order of the prophet
We ban that boogie sound
Degenerate the faithful
With that crazy Casbah sound
But the Bedouin they brought out
The electric kettle drum
The local guitar picker
Got his guitar picking thumb

BRIDGE

As soon as the Sharif,
Had cleared the square
They began to wail

CHORUS

Sharif don't like it, Rock the Casbah, Rock the Casbah
Sharif don't like it, Rock the Casbah, Rock the Casbah

VERSE 3

Now over at the temple
Oh! They really pack 'em in
The "in crowd" say it's cool
To dig this chanting thing
But as the wind changed direction
Then, the temple band took five
The crowd caught a whiff
Of that crazy Casbah jive

CHORUS

Sharif don't like it, Rock the Casbah, Rock the Casbah
Sharif don't like it, Rock the Casbah, Rock the Casbah

VERSE 4

The king called up his jet fighters
He said you better earn your pay
Drop your bombs between the minarets
Down the Casbah way
As soon as the Sharif
Was chauffeured outta there
The jet pilots tuned to the cockpit radio blare

BRIDGE

As soon as the Sharif,
Was outta their hair
The jet pilots wailed

CHORUS

Sharif don't like it, Rock the Casbah, Rock the Casbah
Sharif don't like it, Rock the Casbah, Rock the Casbah

OUTRO

Sharif don't like it (He thinks it's not kosher) Rock the Casbah, Rock the Casbah
Sharif don't like it (Fundamentally can't take it) Rock the Casbah, Rock the Casbah
Sharif don't like it (You know he really hates it) Rock the Casbah, Rock the Casbah