

[Intro]

*Well, somebody has to arrange the matches  
Young people can't decide these things themselves*

[Verse]

*This is what you give me to work with?  
Well, honey, I've seen worse  
We're going to turn this sow's ear  
Into a silk purse*

[Chorus]

*Matchmaker, Matchmaker  
Make me a match  
Find me a find  
Catch me a catch*

[Verse]

*We'll have you washed and dried  
Primped and polished  
Till you glow with pride  
Trust my recipe for instant bride  
You'll bring honor to us all*

[Pre-Chorus]

*For Papa  
Make him a scholar*

*For mama  
Make him rich as a king*

*For me, well  
I wouldn't holler*

*If he...*

[Verse]

*Wait and see  
When we're through  
Boys will gladly go to war for you  
With good fortune  
And a great hairdo  
You'll bring honor to us all*

[Chorus]

*Matchmaker, Matchmaker  
Make me a match  
Find me a find  
(A girl can bring her family)*

*Catch me a catch*  
(Great honor in one way)

*Night after night in the dark I'm alone*  
(By striking a good match)  
*So find me a match*  
(And this could be the day)  
*Of my own*

[Verse]  
Men want girls with good taste  
Calm  
Obedient

[Bridge 1]  
*Hodel, oh Hodel*  
*Have I made a match for you!*  
*He's handsome, he's young!*  
*Alright, he's 62*

*I promise you'll be happy*  
*And even if you're not*  
*There's more to life than that—*

[Verse]  
When we're through  
(*Don't ask me what*)  
You can't fail  
Like a lotus blossom  
Soft and pale  
How could any fellow  
Say "No Sale"  
You'll bring honor to us all

[Pre-Chorus]  
*Chava, I found him*  
*Won't you be a lucky bride!*  
*He's handsome, he's tall*  
*That is from side to side*

[Bridge 2]  
Beads of jade for beauty  
You must proudly show it  
(*You heard he has a temper, He'll beat you every night, But only when he's sober*)  
Now add a cricket just for luck  
(*So you're alright*)  
And even you can't blow it

*Dear Yenta  
See that he's gentle  
Remember  
You were also a bride  
It's not that  
I'm sentimental*

*It's just that I'm terrified!*

[Outro]  
We are meeting our matchmaker  
Destiny  
Guard our girls  
And our future  
As it fast unfurls  
Please look kindly on  
These cultured pearls  
Each a perfect porcelain doll

Please bring honor to us  
Please bring honor to us  
Please bring honor to us  
Please bring honor to us  
Please bring honor to us all

*Matchmaker, Matchmaker  
Plan me no plans  
I'm in no rush  
Maybe I've learned  
Playing with matches, A girl can get burned*

Please bring honor to us  
Please bring honor to us  
Please bring honor to us  
Please bring honor to us  
Please bring honor to us all

*So  
Bring me no ring  
Groom me no groom  
Find me no find  
Catch me no catch, Unless he's a matchless match*

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