

# MS #24 Fates

Vocal Book

Hadestown: Teen Edition

## 30 - Word to the Wise (Fates, Hermes, Orpheus & Hades)

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CUE: (Segue)

(ORPHEUS approaches HADES)

**Out of time**

HERMES: 2  
ORPHEUS: 3

And so the poor boy asked the king Can we

HERMES: 4  
HADES: 6

go? And this is how he answered him I don't know

(Short hold.)  
[GO ON]

(FATES surround HADES.)

**In time** (♩ = 96)

**Start**

FATE 2: 9  
FATE 1: 10  
FATE 3: 11

Got-ta think quick Got-ta save face Caught 'tween a rock and a hard place

F1: F2: F3: 13  
F1: F2: F3: 14  
F1: F2: F3: 15  
F1: F2: F3: 16

What you gon-na do? What you gon-na do? What you gon-na do? What you gon-na do now? If you

FATES 1&3: 17  
F1: F2: F3: 18

tell 'em no Oh You're a heart-less man And you're

F1: F2: F3: 21  
F1: F2: F3: 22  
FATE 2: 23  
FATES 1&3: 24  
F1: F2: F3: 24

gon-na have a mar-tyr on your hands If you let 'em go Oh You're a

25 spine - less - king - 26  
 27 And you're nev - er gon - na get 'em in line a - gain 28 Damned  
 FATE 1:  
 FATE 1:

29  
 30 if you don't Damned if you do 31 Whole damn - na - tion's watch - in' you Oh.  
 FATES:  
 FATE 3:

33 What you gon - na do? What you gon - na do? What you gon - na do? What you gon - na do now? - End  
 F1:  
 F2:  
 F3:  
 F1:  
 F2, F3:  
 34 F1:  
 F2:  
 F3:  
 35 F1, F2:  
 F3:  
 36

37 FATE 2:  
 38 Here's a litt - le tip 39 Word to the wise -  
 FATE 1:  
 40

41 FATE 3:  
 42 Here's a lit - tle snip - pet of ad - vice 43 Men are fools -  
 FATES:  
 44

45 Men are frail -  
 FATE 1:  
 FATE 2:  
 FATE 3:  
 46 Much Slower, Straight 47 Give 'em the rope - and they'll hang - them - selves  
 rit. - - - 48 48A  
 [vocal cutoff - GO ON]

Direct Segue