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Piano introduction in 2/4 time, key of D major. The music features a rhythmic pattern of eighth and sixteenth notes in both hands, with dynamic markings of *f* and *fz*.

VOICE

Years a - go when I was just a wee lit - tle thing -

Vocal line and piano accompaniment for the first line of lyrics. The piano part includes a *Vamp* section with dynamic markings of *p*, *fz*, and *p*.

A man nev - er squeezed - a girl 'till she got the ring -

Vocal line and piano accompaniment for the second line of lyrics. The piano part includes dynamic markings of *fz*.

They were both en - gaged be - fore the boy took a chance - But

Vocal line and piano accompaniment for the third line of lyrics.

now all he has to do is ask her to dance.

## CHORUS

They call it dancing you see them cuddled up tight. They're on-ly

dancing so ev-ry-thing is all right. un-til the mid-night

ca-ba-ret clos-es. You can see he and she rub-bing

nos - es She calls him Mis - ter they're on - ly friends it ap - pears  
If it's a ball - room she does - n't mind his em - brace

— And then he'll twist her like they've been mar - ried for years — A man can  
— But in a hall - room she'd slap him right in the face — A man can

squeeze all the shes, with his arms and his knees and they call it  
grab some - one's wife, Have the time of his life and they call it

danc - ing that's all. They call it all.  
danc - ing that's all. all.

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