

A NEW SONG.

FOR THE INDUSTRIAL ACTION TAKEN BY MEMBERS OF THE
UNIVERSITY & COLLEGE UNION, IN PROTEST AT PROPOSED CHANGES
TO THEIR PENSION SCHEME.

TUNE — SUPERCALIFRAGILISTICEXPIALIDOCIOUS

Do you know why we're standing here and why we're holding signs
Instead of showing PowerPoints and educating minds?
It's cos the boss is for the loss of benefits defined
That's why we're out on strike today and on the picket line!

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Because those folks at UUK have made the wrong prognosis
It means big cuts, they must be nuts, it's made us quite ferocious
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They say our pension's only safe when linked to stocks and shares
They think they'll get that past us lot, they think nobody cares
But some of us are not non-plussed by financial affairs
That's why we're out on strike today - she only wins who dares!

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We hope our students realise we don't do this from spite
The system's screwing them as well, with fees and loans and shite
And higher education is a basic human right!¹
That's why we're out on strike today, that's why we have to fight!

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¹ International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (1966), Article 13(c): "Higher education shall be made equally accessible to all, on the basis of capacity, by every appropriate means, and in particular by the progressive introduction of free education".