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Life is So Peculiar

Jimmy Van Heusen 1927
arr. Larry Nickel

$\text{♩} = 120$ Swing

Tutti *f* *fp* *f*

Va va va du-be, du-be, du-vah!...

A *mf*

Life is so pe-cu-liar: you get so wet in the rain,...

mf

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Soloist 1

you get so warm in the sun - shine, it does-n't pay to com-plain. When

you get so warm in the sun - shine, it does-n't pay to com-plain.

14

(conversation - looking towards each other)

Soloist 2

I get up each morn - in' there's noth-in' to breathe but air. When I look in the mir - ror there's

16

Soloist 3

Tutti

noth-in' to comb but hair. When I sit down to break-fast there's noth-in' to eat but food. Life.

Life

19

C Soloists **Tutti**

— is so pe - cu - liar but you can't stay home and brood. Yes, — life! ba ba du way du wah — is so pe - cu - liar —

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23

The de - sert's on - ly got sand — the o - cean's on - ly got wa - ter —

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27

Soloist 1 **D**

you nev - er know where you stand. — When I go out to din - ner, there's

you nev - er know where you stand. —

30 Soloist 2 Soloist 3

no-thing to wear but clothes. When - ev - er I get sleep - y there's no-thing to do but doze. When -

p *f* *mf* *p*

33 Tutti

ev - er I get thirst-y there's no-thing to do but drink. Life___ is so pe - cu - liar that it makes you stop and think. That's___

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f *mf*

E Soloist 1 Tutti Soloist 2 Soloist 3

life! These are the facts of life. ___ is so pe - cu - liar ___ a fork be-longs with a knife ("you don't say!")

life! is so pe - cu - liar ___

with a British accent

41 **Tutti**

f

corn-beef is lost with-out cab - bage_ a hus-band should have a wife_____

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45

Life is so pe - cu - liar but as ev - 'ry - bo - dy says, "That's_ Li - fe." Shu be du be

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ff

ff

48 **Straight** **F** **Swing**

bop bop skid - dl - y bop shu be du bop that's life."

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Solo

f

51 *Piano Solo*

55 **Tutti** *fp* **G** *mf*

Oh! Life is so pe-cu-liar.

59

a bird can u-sual-ly sing. a pearl is made by an oy - ster.

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63 **Soloist 1** **H** **Soloist 2**

When I get tired of rest-ing, there's no-thing to do but walk. When

you can't be sure of a thing. bop sit bop shu be du bop sit bop shu be du

you can't be sure of a thing. bop sit bop shu be du bop sit bop shu be du

a cappella

67 Soloist 3

I don't care to list-en, there's no-thing to do but talk. When I'm up in my air-plane, there's no-thing to do but fly.

bop sit bop shu be du bop sit bop shu be du bop sit bop shu be du bop sit bop oh!_

bop sit bop shu be du bop sit bop shu de du bop sit bop shu be du bop sit bop oh!_

71 I Soloists

Life is so pe-cu-liar, and I of-ten won-der why. That's life! ba ba du way du wah__ is so pe-cu-liar__

Life is so pe-cu-liar, and I of-ten won-der why. That's life! is so pe-cu-liar__

75 Soloist 2 Soloist 3 Tutti

a fork be-longs with a knife ("Blimey! You don't say!") corn-beef is lost with-out cab - bage__

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79 *f*

a hus-band should have a wife _____ Life is so pe-cu-liar but as ev-'ry-bo-dy says, "That's

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83 *mf* *mp* *mf* *ff*

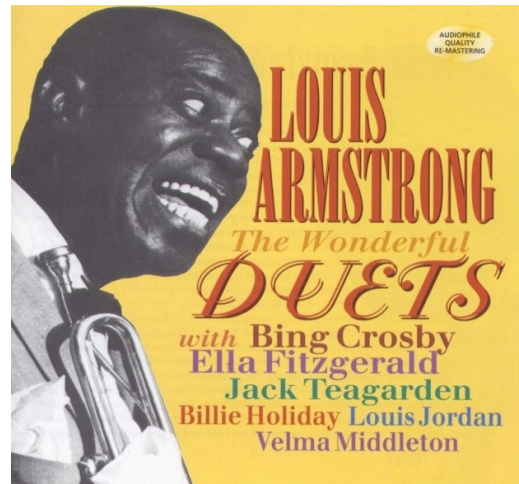
life." That's_ life." That's_ life." That's_ life_

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88 *pp* *pp* *f* *pp*

Why don't you give it a try?

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"I love the Louis Armstrong version of this song." LN