

CHORUS:

If you want to know who we are  
We are gentlemen of Japan:  
On many a vase and jar —  
On many a screen and fan  
We figure in lively paint:  
Our attitude's queer and quaint —  
You're wrong if you think it ain't  
Ooooh!

If you think we are worked by strings  
Like a Japanese marionette  
You don't understand these things:  
It is simply Court etiquette  
Perhaps you suppose this throng  
Can't keep it up all day long?  
If that's your idea, you're wrong  
Ooooh! Ooooh!  
If that's your idea, you're wrong

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We are gentlemen of Japan:  
On vase and jar  
On screen and fan  
On many, many, many, many  
Many, many, many, many, a jar  
Ooooh! Ooooh! Ooooh! Ooooh!  
On vase and jar  
On screen and fan