

# Sylvia's Mother by Dr. Hook & the Medicine Show

[Verse 1]

C G  
Sylvia's mother says, "Sylvia's busy... too busy to come to the phone."

G G7 C C7  
Sylvia's mother says, "Sylvia's trying... To start a new life of her own."

F C G C  
Sylvia's mother says, "Sylvia's happy... So why don't you leave her a - lone?"

G

And the operator says: "Forty cents more... For the next three minutes."

[Chorus]

F C G C C7  
Please Mrs. Avery, I've just got to talk to her... I'll only keep her a while.

F C G

Please Mrs. Avery, I just want to tell her good - bye.

[Verse 2]

C G  
Sylvia's mother says, "Sylvia's packing... She's goin' to be leaving today."

G G7 C C7  
Sylvia's mother says, "Sylvia's marrying... A fellow down Galveston way."

F C G C  
Sylvia's mother says, "Please don't say nothing... To make her start crying and stay."

G

And the operator says: "Forty cents more... For the next three minutes."

**[Chorus]**

F C G C C7

Please Mrs. Avery, I've just got to talk to her... I'll only keep her a while.

F C G

Please Mrs. Avery, I just want to tell her good - bye.

**[Verse 3]**

C G

Sylvia's mother says, "Sylvia's hurrying... She's catching the nine o'clock train."

G G7 C C7

Sylvia's mother says, "Take your umbrella... 'cause, Sylvia, it's starting to rain."

F C G C

& Sylvia's mother says, "Thank you for calling... And, sir, won't you call back a - gain."

G

And the operator says: "Forty cents more... For the next three minutes."

**[Chorus]**

F C G C C7

Please Mrs. Avery, I've just got to talk to her... I'll only keep her a while.

F C G

Please Mrs. Avery, I just want to tell her good - bye.

**[Outro]**

G

Tell her goodbye, please, tell her goodbye AND FADE