

Out on the Line

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Tune: “The End of the Line” by The Traveling Willbury

(Bold parts to be sung by group)

We are **on strike**, it’s time for us to take a stand.
Yeah, we’re **on strike**, we’re drawin’ a line in the sand.,
We are **on strike**, takin’ on Hollywood
Yeah, we’re **on strike**, until they do what they should.

We’re livin’ in a whole new world since Covid hit. **(We’ll be out on the line.)**
It’s time the studios acknowledged it. **(We’ll be out on the line.)**
The entertainment business as it used to be **(We’ll be out on the line.)**
Is history.

We are **on strike**, members of the Writers Guild,
Yeah, we’re **on strike**, we’ve got a movement to build.
We are **on strike**, SAG-AFTRA joinin’ in.,
Yeah, we’re **on strike**, we’re holdin’ out till we win.

All of the money is in streaming now **(We’ll be out on the line.)**
Computer screens have come to be the new cash cow. **(We’ll be out on the line.)**
And so the contract we signed three years ago **(We’ll be out on the line.)**
Has got to go.

We are **on strike**, fightin’ for our fair share.
Yeah, we’re **on strike**, we know that the money’s there.
We are **on strike**, enough of pleading poverty.
Yeah, we’re **on strike**, you’re on the wrong side of history.

Out on the Line (cont.)

We've got a message for the powers that be. (**We'll be out on the line.**)

Please recognize the new reality. (**We'll be out on the line.**)

Wake up and smell the coffee in the pot. (**We'll be out on the line.**)

It's boiling hot.

We are **on strike**, demanding to receive our due.

Yeah, we're **on strike**, and be paid for the work we do.

We are **on strike**, joining in unity.

Yeah, we're **on strike**, for justice and equity.

We are **on strike**, fightin' for our fair share.

Yeah, we're **on strike**, we know that the money's there.

We are **on strike**, enough of pleading poverty.

Yes, we're **on strike**, you're on the wrong side of history.