

A Toast to Violet Hunter

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To the title music from *The Addams Family* television program

Opening verse: Jephro's offer

Violet Hunter's response

I'd like to hire a teacher
An auburn-headed creature
The job has some odd features
With Jephro's family

My time cannot be bought, sir
My hair is cut too short, sir
Not my idea of sport, sir
Is Jephro's family

We're not the landed gentry
Our quirks, I know, are plenty
But pay's a hundred-twenty
From Jephro's family

When Fowler pays a call there
The Tollers cast a pall there
I don't think Edward's all there
In Jephro's family

Au pair

Weird

Armchair

Feared

Short hair

Disappeared

The offer's good; don't slumber
Your duties won't encumber
Come join our happy number
In Jephro's family

This dress is secondhand, sir
I just don't understand, sir
Let's join the Speckled Band, sir
Not Jephro's family