**Hand in my Pocket**

**Alanis Morissette**

***https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CUjIY\_XxF1g***

**Teacher Notes**

**Warmer**

Write on the board:

* I’m \_\_\_(adjective)\_\_\_ , but I’m \_\_\_\_(adjective)\_\_\_
* What it all comes down to is that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* I’ve got one hand in my pocket, and the other one is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Ask the students to make as many suggestions as possible of what could go in the gaps. Give them some ideas to start off with (e.g. I’m busy but I’m bored; What it all comes down to is that I made a mistake; I’ve got one hand in my pocket, and the other one is waving goodbye) then give them three minutes to brainstorm in pairs, and finally ask for suggestions.

**Listening**

Give students the lyrics handout and (if necessary) check unknown vocabulary.

Students listen and do gap fill (they will probably need to listen twice).

*Answers: 1. happy 2. poor 3. short 4. lost 5. fine fine fine 6. giving a high five 7. drunk 8. young 9. tired 10. here 11. sorry 12. quite alright 13. flicking a cigarette 14. giving the peace sign 15. free 16. wise 17. friendly 18. sad 19. sick 20. playing the piano 21. fine fine fine 22. hailing a taxi cab*

**Pronunciation**

Ask students to clap along to the rhythm of the chorus. Then ask them to clap the rhythm without listening to the song.

Next, ask them to say the chorus aloud, in rhythm. (you may need to elicit stressed syllables, then demo and drill this, as it’s a hard rhythm!)

Finally, get the students to sing along to the video (remind them to follow the rhythm carefully in the chorus)

**Writing**

As a follow up, give the students a copy of the song skeleton and ask them to fill in their own ideas. This could be to express their own situation or personality, or they could take on the persona of someone else for this writing task.

To make this more challenging, ask them to first work out how many stressed syllables can go in each gap, and then stick to this when they write their ideas. If they get the rhythm right, they can try singing their version of the song.

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I'm broke but I'm \_\_\_\_(1)\_\_\_\_\_

I'm \_\_\_(2)\_\_\_\_\_ but I'm kind

I'm \_\_\_\_(3)\_\_\_\_ but I'm healthy, yeah

I'm high but I'm grounded

I'm sane but I'm overwhelmed

I'm \_\_\_\_(4)\_\_\_\_ but I'm hopeful baby

*What it all comes down to*

*Is that everything's gonna be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(5)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

*'cause I've got one hand in my pocket*

*And the other one is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(6)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

I feel \_\_\_\_(7)\_\_\_\_\_\_ but I'm sober

I'm \_\_\_(8)\_\_\_\_\_ and I'm underpaid

I'm \_\_\_\_(9)\_\_\_\_\_\_ but I'm working, yeah

I care but I'm restless

I'm \_\_\_\_(10)\_\_\_\_\_\_ but I'm really gone

I'm wrong and I'm \_\_\_\_(11)\_\_\_\_\_ baby

*What it all comes down to*

*Is that everything's gonna be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(12)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

*'cause I've got one hand in my pocket*

*And the other one is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(13)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

*And what it all comes down to*

*Is that I haven't got it all figured out just yet*

*'cause I've got one hand in my pocket*

*And the other one is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(14)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

I'm \_\_\_(15)\_\_\_\_ but I'm focused

I'm green but I'm \_\_\_(16)\_\_\_\_

I'm hard but I'm \_\_\_\_(17)\_\_\_\_\_ baby

I'm \_\_\_(18)\_\_\_\_ but I'm laughing

I'm brave but I'm chickenshit

I'm \_\_\_(19)\_\_\_\_ but I'm pretty baby

*And what it all boils down to*

*Is that no one's really got it figured out just yet*

*But I've got one hand in my pocket*

*And the other one is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(20)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

*And what it all comes down to my friends*

*Is that everything is just \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(21)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

*'cause I've got one hand in my pocket*

*And the other one is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(22)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

**Song Skeleton**

I’m \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ but I’m \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

I’m \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ but I’m \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

I’m \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ but I’m \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

I’m \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ but I’m \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

I’m \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ but I’m \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

I’m \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ but I’m \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , baby

*What it all comes down to*

*Is that everything's gonna be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

*'cause I've got one hand in my pocket*

*And the other one is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*