

Verse - 10 Times

Em D C B7

1. Old Mis - ter John - son had trou - bles of his own. He
man a - round the cor - ner swore he'd kill the cat on sight. He

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had a yel - low cat shot - gun with which would - n't leave its home; He
load - ed up his cat shot - gun with nails and dy - na - mite; He

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tried and he tried to give the cat a - way, he
wait - ed and he wait - ed for the cat to come a - round, Nine - ty

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gave it to a man go - in' far, far a - way. But the
sev - en pie - ces of the man is all they found.



Chorus

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cat came back the ver - y next day. The cat came back, we

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thought he was a gon - er, but the cat came back; it just could - n't stay a -

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way, a - way, a - way, yea, yea, yea, - a - way. _____ 2. The

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way. _____ A - way.



3.

He gave it to a little boy with a dollar note,
Told him, for to take it up the river in a boat;
They tied a rope around its neck,
it must have weighed a pound.
Now they drag the river for a little boy that's drowned.

5.

He gave it to a man going way out West,
Told him, for to take it to the one he loved the best;
First the train hit the curve,
then it jumped the rail,
Not a soul was left behind to tell the gruesome tale.

7.

Away across the ocean they did send the cat at last,
Vessel only out a day and making water fast;
People all began to pray,
the boat began to toss,
A great big gust of wind came by and every soul was lost.

9.

The cat was a possessor of a family of its own,
With seven little kittens 'til there came a cyclone;
Blew the houses all apart
and tossed the cat around,
The air was full of kittens, and not a one was every found.

4.

He gave it to a man going up in a balloon,
He told him, for to take it to the man in the moon;
The balloon came down
about ninety miles away,
Where he is now, well, I dare not say.

6.

The cat, it had some company one night out in the yard.
Someone threw a boot-jack, and they threw it mighty hard;
It caught the cat behind the ear,
she thought it rather slight,
When along came a brick-bat, knocked the cat out of sight.

8.

On a telegraph wire, sparrows sitting in a bunch,
The cat was feeling hungry, thought she'd like 'em for a lunch;
Climbing softly up the pole,
and when she reached the top,
Put her foot upon the electric wire, which tied her in a knot.

10.

The atom bomb fell just the other day,
The H-Bomb fell in the very same way;
Russia went, England went,
and then the U.S.A.
The human race was finished without a chance to pray.