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My Best Day

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Derived from a songwriting workshop with kids of Olathe, KS

On My Best Day it's my birthday,
Made a new friend at school and I'm getting all A's.
I come home to a birthday surprise,
My sister has been evicted and now her room is mine.
My lucky day, got money in my pocket,
It's snowing whipped cream and raining chocolate.
On My Best Day we got a brand new car,
A blue sparkle drum set and an electric guitar.
On My Best Day I got two pairs of shoes,
One for messing 'round and one for shooting hoops.
My lucky day, got money in my pocket,
It's snowing whipped cream and raining chocolate.
This could never happen that's what you might say,
But that's how it's gonna be on My Best Day.

On My Best Day whatever needs doing is done,
If it's sad it's happy, if it's boring it's fun.
On My Best Day whatever's good is great,
The clocks are all broken and there's no way to be late.
My lucky day, got money in my pocket,
It's snowing whipped cream and raining chocolate.
This could never happen that's what you might say,
But that's how it's gonna be on My Best Day.

Hey, on My Best Day nobody cries.
Everybody's happy and we all learn how to fly.
Got my own roller coaster, got my own bumper cars,
There'll be Six Flags flying over my back yard.
My lucky day with all of my friends,
Think about a good time that never ends.
This could never happen that's what you might say,
That's how it's gonna be this is My Best Day.
This could never happen that's what you might say,
That's how it's gonna be this is My Best Day.
This could never happen that's what you might say,
But that's how it's gonna be on My Best Day.

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CHORUS

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Everything That's Made of Wood
Walter Bishop ©1956 (ASCAP)

Everything that's made of wood was once a tree,
And it's clearly understood by fools like me.
While you're sitting on a chair, feeling nice and cozy there,
You're not really sitting on a chair; you're sitting on a tree.

Somebody yelled timber and a tree came tumbling down.
Whether it's a door or a chair or the floor,
The roots are still in the ground.

Everything that's made of wood was once a tree.
Every stick of furniture that you may see.
There's that gorgeous TV set, with its lovely cabinet.
It's not sitting in a cabinet, it's sitting in a tree.

Everything that's made of wood was once a tree.
Don't get the wrong idea, ain't nothing free.
Bill collectors by the score come a' knocking on your door.
They're not really knocking on your door.
They're knocking on a tree.

Somebody yelled timber and a tree came tumbling down.
Whether it's the door or a chair or the floor.
The roots are still in the ground.

Everything that's made of wood was once a tree,
Anything from pine to rich mahogany.
When you're laid to rest they weep while you're buried 6 feet deep.
You're not really buried in a coffin; you're buried in a tree.

Somebody yelled timber, timber and a tree came tumbling down.
Whether it's a door or a chair or the floor.
The roots are still in the ground.
Don't start bringing me down.
Please listen to me.
Everything that's made of wood is still a tree.

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You Can't Go

Grimwood/Idlet ©2000 Troutoons (BMI)

There's a roller coaster at the county fair,
And a Ferris wheel high up in the air.
We're gonna grip the Gripper and zip the Zipper,
The neon lights will glow.
All our friends are gonna be there, but you can't go.

CHORUS:

You didn't do your homework. You didn't feed the dog.
You didn't take the garbage out and now that's your job.
Your daddy tried to warn you and your mamma told you so.
But you didn't listen to what they said so,
Now you can't go.

It's a pizza party birthday, Kevin's turning ten.
We're gonna have some fun and do it all again.
Plates of ice cream and chocolate cake, filled to overflow,
And all our friends are gonna be there, but you can't go.

CHORUS

You were busy watching television, busy doing nothing,
And now there's finally something good to do.
But you'll still be doing nothing while all your friends are having fun,
And I know I should stay home with you so you're not the only one.

But you didn't do your homework and you didn't feed the dog.
You didn't take the garbage out. It's not my job.
Your daddy tried to warn you and your mamma told you so.
Well, I did everything that I had to do, so I'm gonna go.
No you didn't do what you had to do so you can't go.
If you can't do the time, buddy, don't do the crime.
You can't go. I'm gone.

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Your Name Backwards
Grimwood/Idlet ©2001 Troutoons (BMI)

Now it's time to play a little game,
Play a little game with names.
I know it's silly and I know it's strange,
But the name of the game is Your Name Backwards.

I know a girl whose name is Rachel,
Oh such a pretty name.
Say it backwards and it's Lehcar.
Playing a game of Your Name Backwards.
Rachel-Lehcar, Lehcar-Rachel, Lehcar-Rachel, Rachel-Lehcar,
Ordinary names become bizarre.
When you're playing a game of Your Name Backwards.

I know a boy whose name is Fred,
Does his homework in his head.
Turn it around and call him Derf.
Playing a game called Your Name Backwards.
Fred-Derf, Derf-Fred, Derf-Fred, Fred-Derf,
You hear the craziest sounds on Earth,
When you're playing a game of Your Name Backwards.

How about Robert? Can you say Trebor?
How about Liz? Can you say Zil?
How about Mary? Can you say Yram?
Yes I can and I think I will.
How about Steven? Can you say Nevets?
How about Ann? Nna Nna Nna Nna Nna.
How about Michelangelo.....Olegnalehcim,
Michelangelo- Olegnalehcim, Olegnalehcim -Michelangelo,
Michelangelo- Olegnalehcim,
Playing a game of Your Name Backwards.

Anna, Otto, Hannah and Bob,
Don't care a thing for this game.
If your name's a palindrome,
Back and forth, it's all the same.
Now it's time to play a little game,
Play a little game with names.
I know it's silly and I know it's strange,
But the name of the game is Your Name Backwards.

What's your name backwards? Have you figured it out yet?
Let me hear it. Playing a game of Your Name Backwards.

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Junk Food Jump

Grimwood/Idlet ©2000 Troutoons (BMI)

Derived from a songwriting workshop with kids from Oklahoma City, OK

I don't want to eat spinach, I don't want anything that green.

Nutritious is not delicious, too much healthy food can make you mean.

CHORUS:

Junk Food Jump - Make you want to get up.

Junk Food Jump - Keeps you bouncin' off the walls.

Junk Food Jump - Really makes me happy.

Junk Food Jump - Well, let's all get hyperactive now.

Greasy goes down easy, so give me sausage on a stick.

Rib-sticking, finger-licking chicken might really do the trick.

CHORUS

Ice cream, potato chips, pie and a coconut cake,

Cotton candy, bubble gum, and a big strawberry shake.

Double meat, double cheese, mayo and bacon, biggest fries you've ever seen,

With chocolate, chocolate, chocolate and a mountain of whipped cream.

CHORUS

(You should probably quit reading this right now and go eat something that will make you feel good, but will horrify those around you.)

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Sailing

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CHORUS:

We're sailing on a ship to the ocean.

Sailing on the ocean to the sea.

We're sailing up a creek all the way to Mozambique.

Sailing is the only life for me.

There was a pirate with a peg leg and a parrot,

Who bought his vegetables from farmers at the pier.

He'd gladly trade a piece of eight for a carrot,

But was dumb-floundered that corn cost a buccaneer.

CHORUS

There was a ship with a cargo of red paint,

To a tragic fate everyone was doomed.

It rammed a ship with a cargo of brown paint,

The ships sank and the sailors were marooned.

CHORUS

A pelican was talking to his gull friend,

About the way the walrus made him feel.

They stopped in for a drink down at the sand bar,

And caught a tuna from BB Kingfish and Lou Seal.

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It Did It All By Itself

Grimwood/Idlet ©2000 Troutoons (BMI)

There's water in the living room soaking in the carpet.

I noticed when I noticed that my socks were wet.

I followed that puddle, didn't know what to think,

It was running like a river from the bathroom sink.

How could this happen? Oh, what a mess.

Who's responsible? I can't guess.

Toilet paper jumped from the bathroom shelf.

Nobody did. It did it all by itself.

There's a nasty pile of un-named gooey-glob

Stuck like a tick to the driver's seat.

Sticky and smelly, green growing on top.

Was it cake? Was it candy? It's a mystery.

How could this happen? Oh, what a mess.

Who's responsible? I can't guess.

Enough to scare the Department of Health.

Nobody did. It did it all by itself.

It did it all by itself, all by itself,

Nobody caused it, nobody helped.

We were somewhere else doing something else

With someone you don't know. It did it all by itself.

There's a horrible smell and it's coming from the garbage,

Something's crawling in the bottom of the can.

It got knocked over and it's all on the sidewalk.

Gotta pick it up for the garbage man.

How could this happen? Oh what a mess.

Who's responsible? I can't guess.

Everybody's innocent, I can tell.

Nobody did. It did it all by itself.

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Happy That You're Here
Grimwood/Idlet ©2001 Troutoons (BMI)

We're happy that you're happy that you're here.
Happy, happy, happy, happy that you're happy to be here.
If you're happy to be here, say I'm happy. (I'm happy)
I don't believe you, that sounded insincere.
It could be worse, you know, you could be back in class.
It could be much worse, you could be taking a test,
Or worse than that, you could be sitting on a tack.
You might as well be happy that you're here.

We love it that you love it that you're here.
Love it, love it, love it, love it that you love it to be here.
If you love to be here, say I love it! (Lyle Lovett)
I don't believe you, that sounded insincere.
It could be worse, you know, you could have a fever.
It could be much worse, you could throw up.
Or even worse than that, you could throw up in your hat.
You might as well love it that you're here.

We're tickled that you're tickled that you're here.
Tickle, tickle, tickle, tickled that you're tickled to be here.
If you're tickled to be here, say I'm tickled! (I'm tickled)
I don't believe you; if you were tickled you'd be laughing.
It could be worse, you know, you could be in trouble.
It could be much worse, you could be in jail.
Or even worse than that, you might never come back.
You might as well be tickled to be here.

Happy, happy, happy, love it, love it, love it,
Tickle, tickle, tickled that you're happy to be here.

Ezra offers his personal translation of an ancient Sanskrit manuscript about happiness.

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Dinosaur in Your Bathtub

Vance Gilbert ©2000 Disismye Music (ASCAP)

There's a dinosaur sleeping in your bathtub in your home.
There's a dinosaur sleeping in your bathtub in your home, in your home.
There's a dinosaur sleeping in your tub at home,
I hope he don't wake up and use your telephone.
A dinosaur sleeping in your bathtub in your home.

There's an alligator jumping up and down on your bed at home.
(And that's the truth)
A big old muddy-footed alligator jumping on your bed at home,
in your home.
There's an alligator jumping up and down on your bed,
I hope he don't fall off and bust his head.
An alligator jumping up and down on your bed at home.

There's a hippopotamus playing video games in your home.
(And he's the high score)
A hippie hippopotamus playing video games in your home, in your home.
There's a hippopotamus playing video games,
There might be two or three, but I don't know their names.
Do you know any hippopotamus names?

There's an elephant cooking spaghetti in your kitchen at home.
Right now there's a big, fat, gray, smelly
Elephant cooking spaghetti in your kitchen at home, in your home.
There's an elephant cooking, he's been there a while,
I think he got the recipe from Julia Child.
An elephant cooking spaghetti in your kitchen,
A hippopotamus playing video games,
A dinosaur talking on your telephone,
A big, old alligator waiting at the bottom of your bed,
Just waiting to nibble on your toes, in your home.

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Simon Says

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Simon says stand up.

Simon says sit down.

Simon says don't stand up.

If you're up, sit down.

Simon says raise your right hand.

Simon says put it down.

Simon says raise your wrong hand.

Simon doesn't know what he's talking about.

CHORUS:

You can call him Simple Simon 'cause he's always such a clown,

But it won't seem so simple when Simon sits you down.

Simon says be happy.

Simon says be sad.

Simon says be good.

Simon says be bad.

Simon says stick out your tongue.

Simon says stick out your tummy.

Simon says wiggle your fingers in the air.

Simon thinks you sure look funny!

CHORUS

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It's Better Than That

Lou and Peter Berryman Music ©1984 (BMI)

I've got news for you kids, who think adults are lucky,
Own their own cars and everything's just ducky,
Going to bed whenever they want to,
If that's what you think I got a flash for you.
It's better than that, take Saturday and multiply it
Times 54 add 30 more. It's better than that.

We have a chocolate éclair about as big as your head,
Just before noon before we get out of bed.
We do the things you're not allowed to do,
And then we do things you haven't thought of too.
Hang on to your hat, hang on to your baloney sandwich.
Take 50 grand to Disneyland. It's better than that.

And if you think that our days are extra warm and sunny,
A big pile of toys, a pocketful of money,
With nothing to fear because we're big and tall,
We're never in school because we know it all.
It's better than that, more comfy than a secret hideout.
By quite a bit, just think of it, it's better than that.

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Something Sweet

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Say something sweet to my baby.

(Chocolate custard, pudding and pie)

Say something sweet to my boy.

(Chocolate custard, pudding and pie)

His crying is driving me crazy,

I don't want to hear it anymore.

(Hush little baby, don't you cry)

When my baby's smiling, it lights up the town.

But when my baby's crying, it turns me inside out.

Say something sweet to my baby.

(Chocolate custard, pudding and pie)

Say something sweet to my boy.

(Chocolate custard, pudding and pie)