

Monkey's Paw

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Well I stopped in at the Body Shop
Said to the guy,
I want stereo FM installed in my teeth
And take this mole off my back
And put it on my cheek.
And uh while I'm here, why don't you give me
Some of those high-heeled feet?
And he said, listen there's no guarantee
Nature's got rules and nature's got laws
But listen look out for the monkey's paw
And I said, what? He said,

The gift of life it's a twist of fate
It's a roll of the die
It's a free lunch a free ride
But nature's got rules and nature's got laws
And if you cross her look out!
It's the monkey's paw
It's sayin', haw haw!
It's saying, gimme five!
It's sayin', bye bye!

I know a man he lost his head
He said, the way I feel I'd be better off dead.
He said, I got everything I ever wanted
Now I can't give it up
It's a trap, just my luck!

The gift of life it's a leap of faith
It's a roll of the die
It's a free lunch A free ride
The gift of life it's a shot in the dark
It's the call of the wild
It's the big wheel The big ride
But Nature's got rules and Nature's got laws
And if you cross her look out!
It's the monkey's paw
You better Stop!
Look around!
Listen!

You could be an ocarina salesman
Going from door to door.
Or would you like to swing on a star
And carry moon-beams home?
Or next time around you could be a small bug
Or would you like to be a fish?

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It's singin', gimme Five!
It's singin', bye Bye!