The girl goes dancing there
On the leaf-sown, new-mown, smooth
Grass plot of the garden
Escaped from her bitter youth
Escaped out of her crowd
Or out of her black cloud.

Ah, dancer, ah, sweet dancer Ah, dancer, ah, sweet dancer.

If strange men come from the house To lead her away, please, do not say She's crazy Lead them gently astray Let her finish her dance Finish her dance.

Ah, dancer, ah, sweet dancer Ah, dancer, ah, sweet dancer.

She sings as the moon sings I am I, I am I
The greater grows my light
The further shall I fly
I hear the wind a-blow
I hear the grass a-grow
And all that I know
I know, I know.

The girl goes dancing there
On the leaf-sown, new-mown, smooth grass of the garden
Let her finish the dance
Let her finish the dance
Finish the dance.

Ah, dancer, ah, sweet dancer Ah, dancer, ah, sweet dancer.

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