House of the Rising Sun

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There is a house in new orleans They call the rising sun And it's been the ruin of many a poor boy And God I know I'm one

My mother was a tailor She sewed my new bluejeans My father was a gamblin' man Down in new orleans

Now the only thing a gambler needs Is a suitcase and trunk And the only time he's satisfied Is when he's on a drunk

Oh mother tell your children Not to do what I have done Spend your lives in sin and misery In the house of the rising sun

Well, I got one foot on the platform The other foot on the train I'm goin' back to new orleans To wear that ball and chain

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