Cat's in the Cradle

Ugly Kid Joe

My child arrived just the other day
Came to the world in the usually way
But there were planes to catch and bills to pay
He learned to walk while I was away
He was talkin' 'fore I knew it
And as he grew he said,
"I'm gonna be like you, Dad

You know I'm gonna be like you"And the cat's in the cradle and the silver spoon,

Little boy blue and the man on the moon

"When you comin' home?"
"Son, I don't know when
We'll get together then

You know we'll have a good time then" Well, my son turned ten just the other day

He said, "Thanks for the ball, Dad. Come on, let's play

Could you teach me to throw?" I said, "Not today

I got a lot to do" He said, "That's okay"

And he walked away and he smiled and he said,

"You know,

I'm gonna be like him, yeahYou know I'm gonna be like him"And the cat's in the cradle and the silver spoon,

Little boy blue and the man on the moon
"When you comin' home?"
"Son, I don't know when
We'll get together then

You know we'll have a good time then"Well, he came from college just the other day,

So much like a man I just had to say,

"I'm proud of you. Could you sit for a while?"

He shoo his head and he said with a smile,

"What I'd really like Dad, is to borrow the car keys

See you later. Can I have them please?"

And the cat's in the cradle and the silver spoon,

Little boy blue and the man on the moon

"When you comin' home, Son?"

"I don't know when

We'll get together then You know we'll have a good time then"

I've long since retired, my son's moved away

I called him up just the other day

"I'd like to see you, if you don't mind"

He said, "I'd love to, Dad, if I could find the time

You see my new job's a hassle and the kids have the flu,

But it's sure nice talkin' to you, Dad

It's been sure nice talkin' to you" And as I hung up the phone it occurred to me, He'd grown up just like me My boy was just like me (Yeah, yeah, yeah) And the cat's in the cradle and the silver spoon, Little boy blue and the man on the moon "When you comin' home?" "Son, I don't know when We'll get together then You know we'll have a good time then" And the cat's in the cradle and the silver spoon, Little boy blue and the man on the moon "When you comin' home?" "Son, I don't know when We'll get together then You know we'll have a good time then"

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