

Come Away Melinda

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Mommy, mommy, come and see
And look what I've found
A little way away from here
While digging in the ground

Come away Melinda
Come in and close the door
It's nothing but a picture book
They had before the war

Mommy, mommy, come and see
Your mommy hurry look
Just four or five Melinda girls
Inside this picture book

Come away Melinda
Come in and close the door
There were lots of little girls like you
Before they had the war

Mommy, mommy, come and see
Your mommy hurry do
There's someone grown up very tall
Who doesn't look like you

Come away Melinda
Come in and close the door
Your father was a man like that
Before they had the war

Mommy, mommy, come and see
Such things I've never seen
There's happy faces all around
And all the grass is green

Come away Melinda
Come in and close the door
That's just the way it used to be
Before they had the war

Mommy, mommy, come and see
And tell me if you can
Why can it be the way it was
Before the war began?

Come away Melinda
Come in and close the door
The answer lies in yesterday
Before they had the war