

# Cats in the Cradle

Ugly Kid Joe

1. A child arrived just the other day  
Came to the world in the usual way  
There were planes to catch, bills to pay  
He learned to walk while I was away  
He was talking 'fore I knew it and when he could, he said  
"I'm gonna be like you, dad,  
You know I'm gonna be like you"

R: The cats in the cradle and the silver spoon  
Little boy blue and a 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

2. 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 OK"  
He walked away with a smile on his face, he said  
"I'm gonna be like him, yeah,  
you know I'm gonna be like him"

R:

3. Well he came from college just the other day  
So much like a man I just have to say  
I'm proud of you, could you sit for a while  
He shook his head and he said with a smile  
What I'm feeling like, dad, is to borrow the car keys  
see you later, can I have them please

R:

4. I've long since retired, my son 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 hassle and the kids got the flu,  
but it's sure nice talking to you dad,  
it was sure nice talking 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!