

Do Re Me

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Lots of folks back East, they say
Is leavin' home every day
Beatin' the hot old dusty way
To the California line

'Cross the desert sands they roll
Gettin' out of that old dust bowl
They think they're goin' to a sugar bowl
But here's what they find
Now, the police at the port of entry say
"You're number fourteen thousand for today"

Oh, if you ain't got the do re mi, folks
You ain't got the do re mi
Why you better go back to beautiful Texas
Oklahoma, Kansas, Georgia, Tennessee

California is a garden of Eden
A paradise to live in or see
But believe it or not you won't find it so hot
If you ain't got the do re mi

You want to buy you a home or a farm
That can't deal nobody harm
Or take your vacation
By the mountains or sea

Don't swap your old cow for a car
You better stay right where you are
Better take this little tip from me
'Cause I look through the want ads every day
But the headlines on the papers always say

If you ain't got the do re mi, boys
You ain't got the do re mi
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