I was born in Louisiana
And at the age of two
My momma told my papa
"Our little boy's got the blues"
I grew up real fast
And I've traveled very far
One damn thing's for sure
I was born to play the guitar

I got a reputation
And everybody knows my name
I was born to play the guitar
People, I got blues running through my veins

Women in Chicago
They love me to the bone
But my love for my guitar keep me far away from home

I got a reputation
Oh, everybody knows my name, yeah
I was born to play my guitar
I got the blues running through my veins

I got six strings loaded
On my bad machine
Show me the money
And I'll make this damn thing scream
I'm gonna keep on playing
And on my dying day
A polka-dot guitar will be resting on my grave

I got this young reputation
And everybody know my name
"What a guy that is"
You know I was born to play this here guitar
I got the blues running through my veins