

# Monkey's Paw

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Well I stopped in at the Body Shop  
Said to the guy,  
I want stereo FM installed in my teeth  
And take this mole off my back  
And put it on my cheek.  
And uh while I'm here, why don't you give me  
Some of those high-heeled feet?  
And he said, listen there's no guarantee  
Nature's got rules and nature's got laws  
But listen look out for the monkey's paw  
And I said, what? He said,

The gift of life it's a twist of fate  
It's a roll of the die  
It's a free lunch a free ride  
But nature's got rules and nature's got laws  
And if you cross her look out!  
It's the monkey's paw  
It's sayin', haw haw!  
It's saying, gimme five!  
It's sayin', bye bye!

I know a man he lost his head  
He said, the way I feel I'd be better off dead.  
He said, I got everything I ever wanted  
Now I can't give it up  
It's a trap, just my luck!

The gift of life it's a leap of faith  
It's a roll of the die  
It's a free lunch A free ride  
The gift of life it's a shot in the dark  
It's the call of the wild  
It's the big wheel The big ride  
But Nature's got rules and Nature's got laws  
And if you cross her look out!  
It's the monkey's paw  
You better Stop!  
Look around!  
Listen!

You could be an ocarina salesman  
Going from door to door.  
Or would you like to swing on a star  
And carry moon-beams home?  
Or next time around you could be a small bug  
Or would you like to be a fish?

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It's singin', gimme Five!  
It's singin', bye Bye!