

The Rules of the Road

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So these are the ropes
The tricks of the trade
The rules of the road

You're one of the dopes
For whom they were made
The rules of the road

You follow that kiss
And recklessly miss
A bend of the road

Then suddenly this
The end of the road

So love is a hoax
A glittering stream
Of little white lies

But these are the jokes
And what if they bring
The tears to your eyes?

Well, love often shows
A funny return
The brighter it glows
The longer you burn

And Lord only knows
Love has little concern
For the fools of the road

But that's how it goes
You live and you learn
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And everyone knows
That that's how it goes
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