When I was just a child
My life was, oh, so simple
And the ways of the great world
Seemed strange and funny
Then when I was a young man
I learned of that machine
That turns out all those bails of precious money

Now you can measure your manhood by it You can get your children to try it You can bring your enemies to their knees With the possible exception of the North Vietnamese

It takes a strong hit from the money machine Sitting on top, on top of the world Strong hit from the money machine Sitting on top, on top of the world

General Motors and IBM

AFL-CIO and all the king's men

When I began the game

See me singing 'bout fire and rain

Let me just say it again

I've seen fives and I've seen tens

It was a strong hit from the money machine Sitting on top, on top of the world Strong hit from the money machine Settle up top, on top of the world (Money, money, money) (Give me that dough) (Mine, mine, mine) Been living in the lap of luxury too long Please, Mr. DJ, won't you play my song Maybe my baby will listen on the radio Come back home to me Help me spend my dough

I need a strong hit from the money machine Sitting on top, on top of the goddamn world I need a strong hit from the money machine Strong hit from the money machine Sitting on top, on top of the world Money, money, money