

Up in the morning at 8:05, my room's too cold to crack a job
There's no beginning, there is no end
The landlord has cut the heat again (Say what)
It's freezing cold in New York City
I have no heat and it's a pity
I pay my rent bill right on time but I'm so cold that it's a crime

They say that New York's red hot
I'm here to tell you that it's not
And since the landlord he don't care, I gotta have my Long John Underwear
You gotta have a strong heart to live in New York
You gotta have strong lungs to live in New York
You gotta have a strong skin to live in New York
You gotta have Long Johns to live in New York
It's gonna take a lot of heart to live in New York

It's gonna take a lot of soul to live in New York
You gotta have a lot of cash to live in New York
You gotta have a lot of dash to live in New York
Freezing heart and frozen below, with freezing ears and frozen nose
On and on and on, on and on from midnight to the break of dawn
I shiver in the shower, stutter on the phone
Wonder why I end up an Eskimo
If the landlord he don't bend, I guess I have to move again

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I like to move where I can grove
Once a move to twice improve
To the South where the sun is hot
To a place where the landlord's not
H take my wife and the three fat babies because I came for New York lady
Left, right, left and to the South
(Forward march) I'm stepping out
You gotta have a strong heart to live in New York
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You gotta have Long Johns to live in New York
Left, right, left, right, left, right, left
Left, right, left, right, left, right, left
Left, right, left, right, left, right, left
Left, right, left, right, left, right, left

Why don't you move into the Louvre
It's cosy there and you could prove Monet was hot, Picasso was not
I should have moved but milk's no joke
Fool blew his bankroll tootin' cold
Now he don't like my on the spot
His New York baby and they're rather freezing
That would be the bee's knees

To London please
I said, "Excuse me if I have to sneeze"
I fear the cold like a disease

Have you ever seen a Londoner have a heart
Have you ever seen a shark bark
Have you ever seen a snake with hips
Have you ever seen a chicken with lips
Have you ever known a harp to talk
My god (Describe it)
Have you ever heard applause for a pause
Have you ever seen aflash of flashes, flashes
A rub of rubben, rubben
A millionaire on my fear
I date the lady I say
But you could have seenan empty day job
A summer in the summer
A rock and roller reefer
A brother kill another
Loved by your lover
Stick by a sticker
Lit by a lighter
Have you ever got robbed by a robber
Dreams form a dreamer
Have you ever given a gift to a giver
Time to a timer
Books to a booker
And Shocks to a sinner
No

I am freezing high, I am freezing low
In fact I'm freezing from the cold
On and on and on, on and on from midnight to the break of dawn
I shiver in the shower, stutter on the phone and I wonder why I end up an
Eskimo
I like to move where I can prove, once removed and twice confused
Go South where the sun is hot
Go South where the landlord's not
New York

I don't mind I'm on the spot
This new year comes, I'd rather freeze
I'm the person who's rather freeze