## **The Children**

Yeasayer

Now kid, I know I haven't been a perfect man And I've avoided doing things I know I can But if I learned one thing, the tattoo on my arm will burn into my thumb It would be that

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Now Old Man Schmelling was a formidable foe But Ambling Alp was, too, at least that's what I'm told But if you learn one thing, you've learned it well Until you must get past yourself They'll run but they can't hide

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And when those thunder clouds are crying in the skies, in the s kies And when those fireflies keep shining in your eyes, in your eye s Keep your mind for the time, with your ass on the line Keep your feet, feet sliding to the side, to the side

Now, the world can be an unfair place at times But your lows will have their complement of highs And if anyone should cheat you, take advantage of, or beat you Raise your head and wear your wounds with pride

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