

# Snake Oil

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Ladies and gentlemen, attention please  
Come in close so everyone can see  
I got a tale to tell  
A listen don't cost a dime  
And if you believe that we're gonna get along just fine

Now I've been travelin' all around  
I heard trouble's come to your town  
Well I've got a little somethin'  
Guaranteed to ease your mind  
It's call snake oil y'all  
It's been around for a long, long time

Say, your crops'll burn if it don't rain soon  
Ain't seen a drop since the tenth of june  
Well I can open up the sky  
People never fear  
If you ain't impressed yet, just tell me what you wanna hear

Well you lost your farm so you moved to town  
You get a job, they shut the factory down  
Now you sit around all day long feelin' sad and blue  
You need snake oil y'all, tell you what I'm gonna do

I can heal the sick, I can mend the lame  
And the blind shall see again, it's all the same

Well ain't your president good to you  
Knocked 'em dead in libya, grenada too  
Now he's taking his show a little further down the line  
Well, 'tween me and him people, you're gonna get along just fine  
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