

## El Coyote

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They call him a bandit  
And you know the notches  
That he ought to wear on his gun

He sees you through eyes  
He's partially blinded  
From staring to long at the sun

But he's true to his school  
And he's nobody's fool  
And he's lucky to still be alive

The wolf pack will die  
When it's scattered by man  
Lonesome Coyotes survive.

He buried his feelings  
And life was a mountain  
That he was determined to climb

Then he caught the scent  
Of a sister in spirit  
Who taught him to love her in time

Somehow or other  
She gathered together  
The cubs that he sired on the way

And they run by his side  
Through the chill hungry night  
And they sleep to his sweet serenade

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And a part that will always be wild  
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