

Subterranean Homesick Blues

Red Hot Chili Peppers

1. Johnny's in the basement mixing up the medicine
I'm on the pavement thinking about the government
The man in the trench coat, badge out, laid off,
Says he's got a bad cough : wants to get it paid off
2. God knows when but you're doin' it again !
You better duck down the alleyway lookin' for a new friend
The man in the coonskin cap by the big pen
Wants eleven dollar bills : you only got ten
- R: Look out, kid
Look out, kid, because it's somethin' that you did
Look out, kid, because they keep it all hid
3. Maggie comes fleet foot, face full of black soot
Talkin' at the heat put plants in the bed but
The phone's tapped anyway, Maggie says that many say
They must bust in early may orders from the D.A.
4. Walk on your tip toes, don't try "no doz"
Better stay away from those that carry around a fire hose
Keep a clean nose, watch the plain clothes
You don't need a weather man to know which way the wind blows
- R: Look out, kid...
- *: Looks to me like you did
A little too much hittin' kid
You should 've took it to the bridge
Before you started to skid
Look out, kid
The good god willin', we'll bebop to Bob Dylan
Chillin' em, thrillin' em, and red hot killin' em
Killin' em
5. Get sick, get well, hand around a ink well
Ring bell, hard to tell if anything is goin' to sell
Try hard, get barred, get back, write braille
Get jailed, jump bail, join the army, if you fail
6. But users, cheaters, six time losers
Hand around the theatres
Girl by the whirlpool lookin' for a new fool
Don't follow leaders, watch the parkin' meters
- R: Look out, kid...