September seventeen

For a girl I know it's Mother's Day

Her son has gone alee

And that's where he will stay

The wind on the weathervane

Tearing blue eyes sailor mean

As Falstaff sings a sorrowful refrain

For a boy in Fiddler's Green

His tiny knotted heart
Well, I guess it never worked to good
The timber tore apart
And the water gorged the wood
You can hear her whispered prayer
For men at masts that always lean
The same wind that moves her hair
Moves her boy through Fiddler's Green

Nothing's changed anyway Nothing's changed anyway Any time today

He doesn't know a soul
There's nowhere that he's really been
But he won't travel long alone
No, not in Fiddler's Green
Balloons all filled with rain
As children's eyes turn sleepy mean
And Falstaff sings a sorrowful refrain
For a boy in Fiddler's Green