

Something Going On

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My kid's acting strange
He was always cheerful
Now there's been a change
We used to talk for hours
We ain't talkin' anymore
He'll sit and tap his fingers
Then he's up and out the door
My kid was a reader
He always had a book
You gave my kid a book to read
And that was all it took
And now he don't read nothing
He don't even watch TV
He checks his watch time after time
And he hardly looks at me
There's something goin' on
The kids are walkin' away
If we don't help 'em around
We'll have some terrible dues to pay
There'll be something goin' on
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My kid, he was happy
He tore around the place
You'd always hear him laughin'
With a grin across his face
Now he ain't much for showers
He forgets to comb his hair
He looks in your direction
But he doesn't know you're there
'Cause there's something goin' on
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