

# This Is All I Ask

Burl Ives

As I approach the prime of my life  
I find I have the time of my life  
Learning to enjoy at my leisure  
All the simple pleasures  
And so, I happily concede

This is all I ask  
And this is all I need

Beautiful girls  
Walk a little slower  
When you walk by me

Lingering sunsets  
Stay a little longer  
With the lonely sea

Children everywhere  
When you shoot at bad men  
Shoot at me

Take me to that  
Strange, enchanted land  
Grown-ups seldom understand

Wandering rainbows  
Leave a bit of color  
For my heart to own

Stars in the sky  
Make my wish come true  
Before the night has flown

And let the music play  
As long as there's a song to sing

And I will stay younger  
Younger than Spring

Wandering rainbows  
Leave a bit of color  
For my heart to own

Stars in the sky  
Make my wish come true  
Before the night has flown

(And let the music play)  
And let the music play  
As long as there is  
A song to sing

And I will stay younger  
Than Spring