She started out cold, she started out hungry With an ache in her soul and a dream in her heart And she traveled down a road that wasn't so easy And she came so far playing that guitar

She learned about trust, she learned about envy She learned the names of everybody else in line Some became friends, some became crazy Waiting all that time for a chance to shine

If you make it to the top, you're the talk of the town But you'd better not stop, better not turn around 'Cause it's a long way down
It's a long way down

She took a band and a bus to the towns and the places Where they clapped their hands and called her name The stage rocked like a boat on an ocean of faces She rose to fame and her whole life changed

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She'd be driving on the way to the show She'd hear her name on the radio She'd hear the man on the radio station Calling her an overnight sensation

But she started out cold, she started out hungry With an ache in her soul and a dream in her heart And she traveled down a road that wasn't so easy And she came so far just playing that guitar

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