

What'd I Miss

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Seventeen. Se-se-seventeen...
Se-se-seventeen...

1789

How does the bastard orphan
Immigrant decorated war vet
Unite the colonies through more debt?
Fight the other founding fathers 'til he has to forfeit?
Have it all, lose it all
You ready for more yet?
Treasury Secretary. Washington's the President
Every American experiment sets a precedent
Not so fast. Someone came along to resist him
Pissed him off until we had a two-party system
You haven't met him yet, you haven't had the chance
'Cause he's been kickin' ass as the ambassador to France
But someone's gotta keep the American promise
You simply must meet Thomas. Thomas!

Thomas Jefferson's coming home!
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Lord he's been off in Paris for so long!
Ah-ooh!
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France is following us to revolution
There is no more status quo
But the sun comes up
And the world still spins

Ah-ooh!

I helped Lafayette draft a declaration
Then I said, "I gotta go
I gotta be in Monticello."
Now the work at home begins...

Ah-ooh!

So what did I miss?
What did I miss?
Hmm
Virginia, my home sweet home, I wanna give you a kiss
Muah
I've been in Paris meeting lots of different ladies...
I guess I basically missed the late eighties...
I traveled the wide, wide world and came back to this...

Ah-ooh!

There's a letter on my desk from the President
Haven't even put my bag down yet
Sally be a lamb, darlin', won't you open it?
It says the President's assembling a cabinet

And that I am to be the Secretary of State, great!
And that I'm already Senate-approved...
I just got home and now I'm headed up to New York

Headin' to New York!
Headin' to New York!

Lookin' at the rolling fields
I can't believe that we are free (Believe that we are free)
Ready to face whatever's awaiting
Me in N.Y.C. (Me in N.Y.C.)
But who's waitin' for me when I step in the place?
My friend James Madison, red in the face
He grabs my arm and I respond,
"What's goin' on?" (Ah-ooh!)

Thomas, we are engaged in a battle for our nation's very soul
Can you get us out of the mess we're in?

Ah-ooh!

Hamilton's new financial plan is nothing less
Than government control
I've been fighting for the South alone
Where have you been?

Uh... France

Ah-ooh!

We have to win

Well, what'd I miss?
(What? What? What'd I miss?)
What'd I miss?
(I've come home to this?)
Headfirst into a political abyss!
(Headfirst, into the abyss!)
I have my first cabinet meeting today
(Chik-a-pow!)
I guess I better think of something to say
I'm already on my way (On my way)
To get to the bottom of this...
(What did I miss? Ah ah!)

Mr. Jefferson, welcome home

Mr. Jefferson? Alexander Hamilton

Mr. Jefferson, welcome home

Mr. Jefferson, welcome home
Sir, you've been off in Paris for so long!

So what did I miss?