

What's the Matter with the Mill?

Memphis Minnie

Say Minnie!
Where you going?

MM:
(spoken:
What you want, Kansas Joe?
I'm going to the mill; what do you think?
Have my corn ground

KJ:
For what?
Ahw, that old mill is done broke down
I'm just from down there

MM:
How do you know?
Ahw, and it broke you down

KJ:
Ahw, no, I went to get my corn ground
It done broke down
Yeah, it done broke down)

MM:
What's the matter with the mill?
Done broke down?)

MM:
Can't get no grinding, tell me what's the matter with
the mill

Well, I had a little corn, I put it in a sack
Brought it to the mill and come right back
What's the matter with the mill?
What's the matter with the mill?
I can't get no grinding
Tell me what's the matter with the mill

KJ:
It done broke down
It done broke down

MM:
(spoken: Ahw, grind it)

Now listen here folks, I don't want no stuff
You can't bring me my meal, bring me the husks
What's the matter with the mill?
What's the matter with the mill?
I can't get no grinding
Tell me what's the matter with the mill

KJ:
It done broke down
It done broke down

MM:

Well, my papa sat and cried, my brother did, too
They both been to the mill, they can't get nothing to
do
What's the matter with the mill?
What's the matter with the mill?
I can't get no grinding
Tell me what's the matter with the mill

KJ:

It done broke down
It done broke down

Now listen here folks, I want you to bear this in mind
If you're going to the mill, you're just losing time
What's the matter with the mill?
What's the matter with the mill?
I can't get no grinding
Tell me what's the matter with the mill

KJ:

It done broke down
It done broke down

(spoken: Aww, grind it again)