

# The Rules of the Road

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So these are the ropes  
The tricks of the trade  
The rules of the road

You're one of the dopes  
For whom they were made  
The rules of the road

You follow that kiss  
And recklessly miss  
A bend of the road

Then suddenly this  
The end of the road

So love is a hoax  
A glittering stream  
Of little white lies

But these are the jokes  
And what if they bring  
The tears to your eyes?

Well, love often shows  
A funny return  
The brighter it glows  
The longer you burn

And Lord only knows  
Love has little concern  
For the fools of the road

But that's how it goes  
You live and you learn  
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And everyone knows  
That that's how it goes  
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