When she drops in town a little handkerchief He picks it up for her Although he's not a prince of charm Now she stands upon his shoulders And looks across the garden And sees the oak behind the farm

I'm up here in the waving tree I feel my mother looks at me She is living near to the bone

There were times when she was so beautiful She's dancing with my uncles Her hair was darker than this house Although it's true that she was proud of him Standing on his shoulders
She saw the lights of other towns

On Friday night she took the train On Sunday she is back again Bringing home stories near the bone

Boy in a tree
Boy in a tree
Boy in a tree
He's been looking round and round (and round and round)

The mirror shows another day
She's 40 years or older
Her hair will fade from black to grey
She drives and drives through the night
A parrot on her shoulder
Until the darkness goes away

She's standing near the waving tree Looking up she talks to me All I hear is the wind in the leaves

Boy in a tree
Boy in a tree
Boy in a tree
He's been looking round and round (round and round)
Boy in a tree
Boy in a tree
He's been looking round and round (and round and round)
Boy in a tree

In a time when she was beautiful She's dancing on his shoulder...

Boy in a tree...