Well, I know a cool cat from way downtown He's been boppin' all around In this ole world he's livin' fast Someday I'm afraid he's gonna run outta gas So if you're travelin' that way, too I tell you, friend, what you better do.

Ya gotta stop, look and listen
Hey, ya don't know what you're missin'
Ya gotta stop, look and listen
'Cause ya might be missin' kissin'
If you're trav'lin' slow, you'll go a long, long way.

Now, Farmer Jones, he came to town
And saw that boppin' all around
He learned to do it, there's no doubt
I'm afraid someday he'll burn his motor out
So if you're travelin' that way, too
I tell you, friend, what you better do.

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'Cause ya might be missin' kissin'
If you're trav'lin' slow, you'll go a long, long way.

First came the boogie, then the bunny hop Now the rhumba, samba, then the bop Well, I don't know what's a-comin' next But this ole world's in a terrible fix So, if you're travelin' that way, too I tell you, friend, what you better do.

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