

# Rats

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Who has seen the biggest rat?  
People wanna know  
I saw them in the basement  
A long time ago

Jimmy said he saw a rat  
Bigger than his head  
It fell down from the ceiling  
It ran across the bed (oh!)

They're swarming in Barzini's  
They've got nothing to eat  
Like the gangs in West Side Story  
They're fighting in the street

Part of Covid landscape  
Ambulances peal  
Underneath it all  
Hear the rodent population squeal

Rats are on the warpath  
Rats are on parade  
Come and see them running through  
The apocalypse man-made

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The rats came through the bottom  
Of the Prius in the street  
Attacked it with their yellow teeth  
And ate up the back seat

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A terrifying sight  
Feeling so much fright  
Step over them in the evening  
Hear them running through tunnels  
In the subway in the night

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Oh no  
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Rats rats rats  
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