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Back on the Train

Phish

F9

V1 When I jumped off, I had a bucket full of thoughts
Bb Ab
When I first jumped off, I held that bucket in my hand
F9
Ideas that would take me all around the world
Bb Ab
I stood and watched the smoke behind the mountain curl
Eb Bb Ab F9
It took me a long time to get back on the train

V2 Now I'm gone and I'll never look back again
I'm gone and I'll never look back at all
You know I'll never look back again
I turn my face into the howlin' wind
It took me a long time to get back on the train

V3 See my face in the town that's flashing by
See me standing at the station in the rain
See me standing there beside the car
I left it all behind, again I'll travel far
It took me a long time to get back on the train

V4 When I jumped off, I had a bucket full of thoughts
When I first jumped off, I held that bucket in my hand
Ideas that would take me all around the world
I stood and watched the smoke behind the mountains curl
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Notes Tab (<https://emilstabs.org/tabs/Back%20on%20the%20Train.txt>)
8/29/2021 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cJAZLawDkJg>)

Big River

Grateful Dead

A
Chorus Well I taught that weeping willow how to cry cry cry,
B E
Taught the clouds how to cover up a clear blue sky.
A D
Tears I cried for that woman are gonna flood you big river,
A E7 A
And I'm a gonna sit right here until I die.

V1 I met her accidentally in St. Paul, Minnesota,
She tore me up every time I heard her drawl that southern drawl.
Well I heard my dream went back downstream, cavortin' in Davenport,
And I followed you big river when you called.

Chorus

V2 Well I followed her down to St. Lou, later on down the river,
Trader said she's been here, but she's gone, boy, she's gone.
Well I followed her down to Memphis, but she just walked off the bus,
She raised a few eyebrows and she went on down alone.

Chorus

V3 Well I've gotten on down to Baton Rouge, River Queen roll on,
Take that woman down to New Orleans, New Orleans.
I give up, I've had enough, followed my blues on down to the gulf,
She loves you big river more than me.

Chorus

Notes 12/31/78 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z1Ili1K9Nb4>)

Blaze On

Phish

V1

Chorus

Leo!

V2

Chorus

V3

G
So you better get ready, cause a change is coming soon,
F **C** **G** **C**
I met a liar, called the messiah, I got the frying pan, I wanted fire,
F **C** **G**
I saw a red dress, I met a daughter, I got the quicksand, I prayed for water.

Chorus

Jam Bb -> C riff into jam in C.

Outro Bb -> C riff and "Blaze On" repeated.

Notes 7/29/17 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GFdgMrDrXbl>)

China Cat Sunflower

Grateful Dead

V1

G F
Look for a while at the China Cat sunflower,
G F
Proud walking jingle in the midnight sun.
G F
Copperdome bodhi drip a silver kimono,
G F G
Like a crazy quilt stargown through a dream night wind.

**V2 Crazy cat peekin' through a lace bandanna,
Like a one-eyed Cheshire, like a diamond-eye jack.
A leaf of all colors plays a golden-string fiddle,
To a double-E waterfall over my back.**

**V3 Comic book colors on a violin river
Cryin' Leonardo, Words from out a silk trombone.
I rang a silent bell, beneath a shower of pearls,
In the eagle-winged palace of the Queen Chinee.**

Notes Vocals: Justin
10/17/74 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EvPe4CEkSbE>)

I Know You Rider

Grateful Dead

D C G D
Chorus I know you, rider, gonna miss me when I'm gone
D C G D
 I know you, rider, gonna miss me when I'm gone
F C F C Em D
 Gonna miss your baby, from rolling in your arms

V1 (MV) Laid down last night, Lord, I could not take my rest
Laid down last night, Lord, I could not take my rest
My mind was wandering like the wild geese in the West.
Chorus

Lead **Matt**

**V2 (PJ) The Sun will shine in my back door someday.
The Sun will shine in my back door someday.
March winds will blow all my troubles away.**

V3 (JM) I wish I was a headlight, on a North bound train
I wish I was a headlight, on a North bound train
I'd shine my light through cool Colorado rain.
Chorus

Lead Justin

Outro Chorus: acapella
Big Finish: F C F C Em D

Notes 10/17/74 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EvPe4CEkSbE>)

Everything's Right

Phish

V1	A	C
	Time to get out, I paid my dues, I need to shout, there's no time to lose	
	G	F
	No more to give, the well is dry, the pavement's warm, my brain is fried	
	E	
	It's time to get out, I paid my dues	
V2	My shoes have holes, my socks are bare, the mirror's secret is I'm losing my hair	
	I'm in prison without a crime, the sentence stretches out undefined	
	It's time to get out, I paid my dues, I paid my dues	
Chorus	A	
	Everything's right, so just hold tight,	
	G	
	Everything's right, so just hold tight,	
	D	
	Everything's right, so just hold tight	
	: X2	
V2	A	G
	Going downhill with increasing speed, compassion gives way if you listen to greed	
	D	
	Focus on the past and that's what will last, Nothing that is real and nothing you can feel	
	Focus on tomorrow you'll have to borrow, images and mind and thoughts you left behind	
	Focus on today, you'll find a way, happiness is how rooting in the now	
	<i>Chorus</i>	
V3	Look into the eyes of everyone you meet, try not to step on your best friend's feet	
	The line is in the sand, the flag is planted, the rest of your life don't take it for granted	
	<i>Chorus</i>	
V4	This world, this world, this crazy world I know	
	It turns, it turns, and the long night's over and the sun's coming up	
Instrumental	Solo over changes.	
Bridge	(acapella) This world, this world (x2) (full band) Na, Na, Na, Na, Yeah... (x4)	
Jam	Solo over A	
Outro	Back to: Na, Na, Na... Yeah (It's gonna be all right)	
Notes	Vocals: Philip. Phish plays this in B. Easier to sing in A. 11/9/22 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GK4oldKYkiY)	

Franklin's Tower

Grateful Dead

Intro ||: A G/D G/A :||

V1 In another time's forgotten space
Your eyes looked from your mother's face
Wildflower seed on the sand and stone
May the four winds blow you safely home
Roll away the dew (4x)

V2 I'll tell you where the four winds dwell
In Franklin's tower there hangs a bell
It can ring, turn night to day
It can ring like fire when you lose your way
Roll away the dew (4x)

V3 God save the child that rings that bell
It may have one good ring baby, you can't tell
One watch by night, one watch by day.
If you get confused listen to the music play

Lead rip it

V4 Some come to laugh their past away
Some come to make it just one more day
Whichever way your pleasure tends
If you plant ice you're gonna harvest the wind.
Roll away the dew (4x)

V5 In Franklin's tower the four winds sleep
Like four lean hounds, the lighthouse keep
Wildflower seed on the sand and wind
May the four winds blow you home again
Roll away the dew (8-12x)

Outro A C B->A

Notes 10/31/80 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vcR209mYel8>)

Funky Bitch

Phish/Son Seals

- C**
V1 Every time I see her, she got new fancy clothes
F Every time I see her, she got new fancy clothes **C**
G
She took up all my money
And threw poor me out the door
- V2 Lord now standing there, ain't got nowhere to go
Lord now standing there, ain't got nowhere to go
I've been down in bad condition now boy
cause I'm alone down here
- V3 Lord now standing there, ain't got nowhere to go
Lord now standing there, ain't got nowhere to go
I've been down in bad condition now boy
cause I'm alone down here
- V4 Every time I see her, she's gotten all the boys in town
Every time I see her, she's gotten all the boys in town
Till she took up all our money
Sure gonna put her down

Notes Tabs (<https://emilstabs.org/tabs/Funky%20Bitch.txt>)
12/29/11 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DK7JOs4v2T0>)

Just One More California Honeydrops

V1

See that full moon a rising
C7 F
See those fireflies all aglow
The summer is young the night is callin'
C7
But daylight come and I'll be gone

F C7 F
Chorus So just one kiss from you girl
C7 F
 Just one more before I go
 One more dance out on the dance floor
C7
 Just one more before I go

V2 **Hear that lonesome whistle blowin**
Hear those birds begin their songs
Soon a new day will be dawnin'
But I'll be on my way and gone

**V3 Yeah, ohhh it feels so good now baby
Rockin in your lovin arms
I wish I could stay right here with you girl
But daylight comes and I'll be gone**

Notes Official Video (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x5SxZGbU_tU)
3/27/2021 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=huUgl8d03O4>)

Meet de Boys on the Battlefront

Wild Tchoupitoulas

F

Chorus Meet de boys on the Battlefront

C

**Meet de boys on the Battlefront
Meet de boys on the Battlefront**

F

Yeah, the Wild Tchoupitoulas gonna stomp some rump!

- V1** Oh the prettiest little thing that I ever seen
Mardi gras Injuns down in New Orleans
Sewed all night and they sewed all day;
Mardi Gras mornin' went all the way
- V2** Injuns comin' from all over town
Big Chief singin', gonna take 'em down
A Jackimo feeno, hey-la-hey
Injuns are rulers on the holiday
- V3** Mardi Gras morning won't be long
Gonna play Injuns, gonna carry on
Maskers runnin' up and down the avenue
Here come the Injuns, let 'em through
- V4** I'm an Injun ruler from the thirteenth wad
A big Chief Kahuna and I won't be bought
I walked through fire and I swam through mud
Snatched the features from an eagle, drank panther blood
- V5** Got an itty bitty spy, got a heart of steel
If his shank won't get you, his hatchet will
Gedde may hocko m'yoo na no
He shoot the gun in the jailhouse door
- V6** I'll bring my gang all over town
Drink firewater til the sun goes down
We get back home, we're gonna kneel and pray
We had some fun on the holiday

Notes Album (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n643nLCbMoE>)
2/17/23 (Dumpstaphunk) (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kQU53AVjnc0>)

Midnight Moonlight

Peter Rowan

Chorus If you ever feel lonesome, And your down in San Antone
 Beg steal or borrow two nickles or a dime and call me on the phone
 And I'll meet you at Alamo mission where we can say our prayers
 The Holy Ghost and the Virgin mother will heal us
 As we kneel there

Chorus In the moonlight in the midnight
In the moonlight midnight moonlight
In the moonlight in the midnight
In the moonlight midnight moonlight

Chorus

V2

If you ever feel sorrow for things you have done

Am D

With no hope for tomorrow

C F

In the setting of the sun

G D

And the ocean is howling with things that might have been

Am D

That last good morning sunrise

Em D C

Will be the brightest you've ever seen

Chorus

Jam Bb G

Notes 3/1/80 JGB (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0dnibCQtdFE>)

Only Home I've Ever Known

California Honeydrops

Intro | *C *D - | C F | C C#dim Am | Am G7 | C

V1 **C** **F** **C**
 Upon this third stone from the sun
 F **C**
 The only home I know
 G **E** **Am**
 Where love abounds in skies and sounds
 D7 **G7**
 And tastes too sweet to tell

V2 **G7** **E7** **Am**
 The night sky's got me wonderin'
 F **E7**
 Of worlds I cannot see
 F **F#dim C** **E7 Am**
 And the whisper of the evenin' breeze
 G7 **C**
 Elsewhere is callin' me

V3 **G7** **C**
 I hear, in a song,
 G7 **C**
 Loved ones gone on
E7 **Am** **Amaj7** **Am7** **D9**
 One's I hope I'll see again
G **G7**
 Someday, oh

V4 **C** **F** **C**
 Until my final days
 E7 **Am** **F**
 In longing I will roam
C **F** **C** **Am**
 Upon this third stone from the sun
 D7 **G7** **C**
 The only home I've ever known

Instrumental

Repeat V3 and V4

Notes Video (original in Eb) (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_dPvC8Ln8z8)
 Video (transposed to C) (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f7uqFD08P7c>)

Possum

Phish

E7

V1 I come from atop the mountain baby where the people come to pray

A7

E7

I come from atop the mountain baby where the people come to pray

B

G

A7

E7

There ain't no truth in action 'less you believe it anyway

V2 I was riding down the road one day and someone hit a possum

I was riding down the road one day and someone hit a possum

The road was his end, his end was the road, so they say

E7

Chorus Whoa possum, possum, possum... POSSUM.

A7

E7

Whoa possum, possum, possum... POSSUM.

B

G

A7

E

Whoa possum, your end is the road

Notes 12/04/09 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rz31jYsrLm4>)

Phish

Intro | Bb / Gm Ab |

V1

Bb **Gm Ab**

It was many years ago now

Bb **Gm Ab**

I really can't be sure

Bb **Gm Ab**

Cause when it all began then

Bb **Gm Ab**

I heard that knock upon my door.

F **Eb**

It's the Wolfman's Brother, the Wolfman's Brother

Bb Gm Ab

Comin' down on me.

**V2 The telephone was ringing
That's when I handed it to Liz
She said, "This isn't who it would be
If it wasn't who it is"
It's the Wolfman's Brother, the Wolfman's Brother
Comin' down on me.**

**V3 So I might be on a side street
Or a stairway to the stars
I hear the high pitched cavitation
Of propellers from afar
It's the Wolfman's Brother, the Wolfman's Brother
It's the Wolfman's Brother, the Wolfman's Brother
It's the Wolfman's Brother, the Wolfman's Brother
Comin' down on me.**

Gm **Ab**
Bridge So in meaningless excitement.
Gm **Ab**
 through the total sound.
Gm **Ab**
 It's like a cross between a hurricane.
Gm **Ab**
 It's like a ship that's running ground
 It's the Wolfman's Brother, the Wolfman's Brother
 It's the Wolfman's Brother, the Wolfman's Brother
 It's the Wolfman's Brother, the Wolfman's Brother
 Comin' down on...comin' down on me.

Notes Emil's tab (<https://www.emilstabs.org/tabs/Wolfman's%20Brother.txt>)
7/3/13 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ARufTkR9BpU>)