

# I Can't Get Started

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Medium-Slow [Billie Holiday 1938 (♩ = 100)]

**A1**

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I've flown a - round the world in a plane. I've set - tled  
I do a hun - dred yards in ten flat. The Prince of

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re - vo - lu - tions in Spain. The North Pole  
Wales has co - pied my hat. With queens I've

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I have charted, but can't get start-ed with you. A-round the  
à la cart-ed, but can't get start-ed with you. The lead - ing

**A2**

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golf course I'm un - der par, and all the mov - ies want me to star. I've got a  
tai - lors fol - low my styles, and toothpaste ads all fea - ture my smiles. The Astor -


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house, a showplace, but I get no place with you. You're so su -  
bilts I vis - it, But say, what IS it with you? When first we

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**B**

17  preme, met, lyr - ics I write of you, scheme just for a sight of you, how you e - lat - ed me! Pet, you devas - tat - ed me!

21  dream both day and night of you. And what good does it do? In nineteen Yet, now you've de - flat - ed me till you're my Wa - terloo. I've sold my

**A3**

25  twen-ty-nine I sold short. In England I'm pre - sen - ted at court, But you've got kiss-es at a ba - zaar, And af - ter me they've named a ci - gar. But late - ly

29  me downheart-ed 'cause I can't get start-ed with you. how I've smarted 'cause I can't get start-ed with you.