

# DELUSIONS OF GRANDPA – WORDS AND MUSIC BY JOHN ELLIOTT

## 1-ONLY JOKING

Sometimes the circles entwine with themselves  
Then, on turning, result in no movement.

And my life is like a circle  
And I get tied up in circles of friends  
Though I know it must be going somewhere  
I just hope that it will end somehow

But I am only joking, It's the way  
I get by, pretending that I  
I do not worry - This is  
The reason why – You, You, You

Oh the telephone  
Is still ringing  
Which reminds me of the note in my head that is singing  
Of the love that I had when I was thinking of you  
Imagining my every dream would come true, somehow,

But I...

Nobody can replace the space you left beside me  
And all I can say is  
Where were you yesterday.  
I have looked in the drawer that was empty for years and I'm puzzled  
Can you remember where I left my toupee?

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## 2-YOU KNOW MY NAME

You say there's a curious dynamic  
And that it's tearing us apart  
I see no reason to panic  
And though it's breaking my heart

You know my name  
It's still the same  
Any time of day  
Or in the dead of night

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You say you just don't understand  
Most of the crazy things I say  
And when I wanna hold your hand  
You go and pull it right away

You know my name...

You say you find me a little odd  
With all the strange things that I do  
But I reckon I'm the same as you  
And we're like peas in a pod

You know my name - Look up my number  
It's still the same - You know what it's under  
Any time of day - I'm still alone  
Or in the dead of night - I'm always at home

3-BIRMINGHAM 6 – GUILDFORD 4

It took me so long to get here.  
How long now till I fall foul?  
I've drunken too much of old beer.  
How will I reach the towel?

It's the choice I took  
Straight out of the book  
I leapt before I looked  
A case of too many cooks

You've got me down on my knees now.  
At least that's what it seems.  
No way that I can please yeow.  
I'm having the strangest of dreams.

It's the choice...

You led me up the garden path  
And now it's down with Lord Lane  
When I remember the bloodbath  
Someone had to take the blame.

It's the choice...

That's the way it seems to happen.  
Well what of it? The goose will fatten.

I'm up before the beak  
I want to speak my mind  
A case of finders keep  
You said the words and I signed.

That's the choice...

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I'm getting to the end of my sentence.  
I can't wait for the full stop.  
You're putting on this great pretence  
That it was a fair cop.

It's the choice...

That's the way it seems to happen.  
Well what of it? The goose will fatten.

### 4-BRAND NEW CAR

Out buying some strings for my old guitar  
You swung round the corner in your brand new car  
Fate should have told me I would meet you there  
But all I could do was stop still and stare

There was you. Where was I?  
I was on my own. I couldn't even cry.

Back then it seemed as though we had it made  
You booked us in the best plans were laid  
Agreed we'd share all our material  
Even though your songs didn't go down that well

There was you...

I should have guessed things were going wrong  
We toured the States for far too long  
And then you ran off with the demo tapes  
And disappeared with my best mates

There was you...

So now I hear you've found fortune and fame  
And that you're leaving on the morning plane  
But I don't think that you'll get that far  
I let down the tyres on your Brand New Car

There was you. Where was I?  
I was on my own. I couldn't even cry.

### 5-HOW LONG?

How long can I carry on  
Singing this same song?

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6-JACOB

There it goes again repeating all my words  
Wish I could undo the lock and fall to the floor  
The pulley nearly saves me one busted head  
The other one's okay and I'm in bed

Still singing out of tune I rattle the cage  
Sunflower is scattered and I'm blinded with rage  
Bite on my finger and deafened indeed  
No sense in talking now I'm starting to bleed.

Jacob, pooky little bird.

Ev'ry time I ope' the door the bird greets my ears  
I've lost the hammer and the garden shears  
Shall I give in and give him away?  
But the aunt who gave him to me is coming to stay.

Jacob, pooky little bird.

7-YOUNG NEIL

I knew Neil, when he was a young man  
I saw him fall to his knees, when he was lost for words  
He'd lost his girl and now, she'd flown with the other birds

Bringing the harvest home, taking the harvest home

I knew how he felt, I'd travelled that road before  
Like when the dog loses his bone, his tail between his legs  
He knows he'd rather die, than break right down and beg

Bringing the harvest home, taking the harvest home

He'd found religion then, down on the farm  
Became mighty famous, but never struck it rich  
He'd preach the same old words, that life's just a bitch  
But if you do as he did, you won't come to no harm

Bringing the harvest home, taking the harvest home

He'd say young man take a look at your life  
And get ready for the judgement day  
Make sure you ask for mercy, when you kneel to pray  
And maybe the good lord he'll help you, to find a wife

Bringing the harvest home, taking the harvest home

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The last time I saw Neil, he'd taken his own advice  
He'd lived each day as it came, he found it became real  
Now he's found someone, who cooks him beans and rice  
I told him I knew how he felt, I'd seen him when he knelt

Bringing the harvest, taking the harvest home  
Never to be alone, making his house his home

8-ABOUT A SOUFFLÉ (Instrumental)

9-MY MELODY

You are beautiful to me  
Oh my darling can't you see  
I hear music when I call your name  
Sing me your life and I'll do the same

The Melody that you can't see  
She's the one I want to be with  
I feel secure when she's near  
That's the effect she has on me

Melody can't you see  
What you're doing to me  
With eyes of blue as I look at you  
What's a guy supposed to do?

Playing games, having fun,  
Dressing up with all your friends  
That's the way it's supposed to be.  
But will our love ever end?  
I just want you to know  
Throughout my life you're the one.

And when I talk to you, you keep answering back.  
And when I call to you, you keep running away.  
What can I ever do, to persuade you to stay?

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### 10-LET'S GO TO CANADA

Let's go to Canada X3  
I really wanna be there  
Let's go to Canada  
I wanna be there  
I wanna see there  
That's the kind of man I am

And only more time will tell if the people did well  
We could all go to hell in a handcart and sell  
And we'll all ring the bell, but we might just as well  
Change our minds and (instead [last verse]) let's

Let's go to Hollywood X3  
...I wanna say that's where I stood

Chorus

Let's go to Liverpool X3  
...I wanna feel kinda cool

Chorus  
...instead – Let's go to bed.

### 11-SHE THINKS SHE OWNS THE UNIVERSE

Riding by her nose in the air  
The Moon and the stars fall from her hair  
Horses neigh windows shut  
She wants to take you with her but...

She thinks she owns the universe  
She thinks she owns the sky  
She thinks she owns the universe  
But then so do you and I

Granite fortress on a hill  
Letters on the window sill  
Walls of ivy ruined city  
Are there none who she can pity?

She thinks she owns the universe  
She thinks she owns the sky  
She thinks she owns the universe  
But then so do you and I

Climbing up the winding stairs  
Others follow, no one cares.  
Casting spells across the land  
The fate of nations in her hands

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12-PHIL THE BATH

(Instrumental)