Circus Song

Don McLean

Cotton candy, two for a quarter See if the fat man can guess your weight A big stuffed tiger is what I bought her And I'm going home 'cause it's lateRoller coasters make me dizzy And cotton candy makes me sick I wish I had some Bromo fizzy Now that would do the trickEveryone knows that the clowns aren't happy And everyone knows that the people don't care I wish I could laugh at the way that they're acting But I'm so sick, I just don't dare to High wire dancers kick and balance White silk horses step in time The tattooed man displays his talents I'm not the talented kindI always go to the circus on Sunday And there I can laugh at the people I see But when I leave home in the morning on Monday Everybody laughs at meI make other people nervous I guess that's why they laugh at me But to me my life is a three-ring circus And I can see it for freeHave you seen my wife Elvira? She can tame a lion, you know Well, I once had a bushy mane But that was so damn long agoTight-collared clowns in plastic buildings Have happy families as their fate Happy jobs and happy clubs And happy people they hateEveryone's juggling and everyone's acting With smiles of grease paint three feet wide Everyone's caught on a carousel pony

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And one time around is a lifetime ride