Pinball Wizard

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Ever since I was a young boy
I've played the silver ball
From Soho down to Brighton
I must've played them allBut I never seen anything like him
In any amusement hall
That deaf, dumb and blind kid
Sure plays a mean pinballHe stands like a statue
Becomes part of the machine
Feeling all the bumpers

Always playing cleanHe plays by intuition

The digit counters fall

That deaf, dumb and blind kid

Sure plays a mean pinballHe's a pinball wizard

There has to be a twist

A pinball wizard's got

Such a supple wristHow do you think he does it?

I don't know!

What makes him so good?He ain't got no distractions

Can't hear no buzzers and bells

Don't see no lights a flashin'

Plays by sense of smellAlways has a replay

An' never tilts at all

That deaf, dumb and blind kid

Sure plays a mean pinballI thought I was the bally table king But I just handed my pinball crown to himEven at my favorite table

He can beat my best

His disciples lead him in

And he just does the restHe's got crazy flipper fingers

Never seen him fall

That deaf, dumb and blind kid

Sure plays a mean pinball

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