

The Trip

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We was a-d-d-drivin' d-downtown L.A.
About a-midnight hour
And it almost b-b-blew my mind
I got caught in a colored showerAll those lights were t-t-twinkling on Sunset
I saw a sign in the sky
It said, "T-t-trip a t-trip, I trip, trip"
I couldn't keep up up if I triedAh, we stopped down to reality company
To get some instant sleep
And the driver turned, said, "Welcome back"
He smiled and he said, "Beep beep"What goes on? Chick-a-chick
What goes on? I really wanna know
What goes on all around me?
What goes on? I really wanna knowI went in to come-a my dream woman
She a-got sequins in her hair
Like she stepped out off of a F-F-Fellini film
She sat in a white straw chairI thought, I thought I'd take a second look
Just to see what I could see
And my scene had popped out like a bubble does
There was nobody there but meI said, "Girl, you drank a lot of drink-me
But you ain't in a-Wonderland
You know I might-a been there to greet you, child
When your trippin' ship touches sand"What goes on? Chick-a-chick
What goes on? I really wanna know
What goes on? Chick-a-chick
What goes on? I really wanna knowA silver goblet of wine is-a to be
A-held in a bejeweled glove
And her knights they toast the tournament
The falcons they fly aboveA-but the queen will a drink of the dew tonight
But the jester she cries alone
Because Merlin he spoke of an instant spell
To make the devil's white knights moanAnd-a all in all, the seagull said
"As I look to where I've been
The whole wide human race
Has a-taken far too much Methedrine"What goes on? Chick-a-chick
What goes on? I really wanna know
What goes on? So near
What goes on? I really wanna know
Yeah well, come onWe sat in a velvet jewel case
With sparkles everywhere

And Julian, he sat on a diamond ring
And he talked of the days gone byWe spoke of a common kaleidoscope
And the pros and the cons of Zen
And he spoke and-a said for a piece of cake
He really did have a yenBobby Dylan, he said the Mad Hatter
A broken hour glass in his hand
And-a Joannie sat in a white lace
Looking cool with a black lace fanWhat goes on? Chick-a-chick
What goes on? I really wanna know
What goes on? Yes please tell me
What goes on? I really wanna know

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