My Hometown

Bruce Springsteen & The E Street Band

I was eight years old and running with a dime in my hand
Into the bus stop to pick up a paper for my old man
I'd sit on his lap in that big old Buick and steer as we drove through town
He'd tousle my hair and say son take a good look around

This is your hometown

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This is your hometownIn '65 tension was running high at my high school

There was a lot of fights between the black and white

There was nothing you could do

Two cars at a light on a Saturday night in the back seat there was a gun

Words were passed in a shotgun blast

Troubled times had come

To my hometown

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My hometownNow Main Street's whitewashed windows and vacant stores Seems like there ain't nobody wants to come down here no more They're closing down the textile mill across the railroad tracks Foreman says these jobs are going boys and they ain't coming back

To your hometown

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Your hometownLast night me and Kate we laid in bed

Talking about getting out

Packing up our bags maybe heading south

I'm thirty five we got a boy of our own now

Last night I sat him up behind the wheel and said son take a good look around

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