Dog Years

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In a dog's life
A year is really more like seven
And all too soon a canine
Will be chasing cars in doggie heaven
It seems to me
As we make our own few circles 'round the sun
We get it backwards

And our seven years go by like one

Dog years

It's the season of the itch

Dog years

With every scratch it reappears

In the dog days

People look to serious

Dogs cry for the moon

But those connections are mysterious

It seems to me

While it's true that every dog will have his day

When all the bones are buried

There is barely time to go outside and play

Dog years

It's the season of the itch

Dog years

With every scratch it reappears

Dog years

For every sad son of a bitch

Dog years

With his tail between his ears

(Tail between his ears)

I'd rather be a tortoise from Galapagos

Or a span of geological time

I'd rather be a tortoise from Galapagos

Or a span of geological time

Than be livin' in these dog years

Livin' in these dog years

Woo, woo

Woo, woo

Ooh, ohh

Woo, woo

Ohh, ohh

Ohh, ohh

Ohh, ohh

In a dog's brain

A constant buzz of low level static

One sniff at the hydrant

And the answer is automatic

It seems to me

As well make our own few circles 'round the block

We've lost our senses

For the higher level static of talk

Dog years

For every sad son of a bitch

Dog years

With his tail between his ears

In the dog years

(Ohh, ohh)

(Ohh, ohh)

In the dog years

(Ohh, ohh)

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