

# SERIOUS SONGS

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## Barges

Out of my window looking in the night;  
I can see the barges flickering light  
Silently flows the river to the sea  
And the barges do go silently

\*(Chorus:)

Barges, I would like to go with you  
I would like to sail the ocean blue  
Barges, have you treasures in your hold  
Do you fight with pirates brave and bold?

Out of my window looking in the night  
I can see the barges flickering light  
Starboard shines green and port is glowing red  
I can see the barges dead ahead

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Oh, how I would like to sail away with you,  
As I watch you sail the ocean blue  
But I must sit beside my window dear  
As I watch you sail sway from here

## Blue Bottle (Summers Day)

I have a little present her for you  
Inside this tiny bottle so very small and blue  
Please do not uncork it, simply put it on away  
For inside there lies a summer's day  
Put it on away

I'd be pleased if you didn't ask why I gave this

gift to you  
I don't know myself, did it on a whim  
As the thought came running through  
I just wanted to make you happy  
In a summertime sort of way  
And I thought you might like your own  
summer's day  
Put it on away

Can you read the writing on this tiny bottle's  
wall?  
I know that it's quite small, but I can read it all  
It says "she who is reading me is looking right  
at my side  
And might be sort of interested at what lies  
inside  
There'll be one breath of a butterfly  
One ray from the sun  
And lots and lots of laughter from little  
children's fun  
Don't you dare uncork me, or everything will fly  
away"  
I just wanted you to have a summer's day  
Put it on away

## Desert Silvery Blues

Desert silvery blue beneath the pale moonlight,  
Coyotes yappin' lonely on the hill,  
Sleepy winks of light along the far skyline  
Time for millin' cattle to be still.

So, now, the lightning's far away,  
The coyote's nothin' skeery,  
Just singin' to his dearie.  
Yo, ho, tomorrow's a holiday,  
So settle down your cattle 'til the mornin'.

Nothin' out there on the plains that you folks  
need,  
Nothin' out there seems to catch your eye.  
Still, you'd better watch 'em or they'll all  
stampede,  
Plungin' down some 'rroyo bank to die.

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The coyote's nothin' skeery,  
Just singin' to his dearie.  
Yo, ho, tomorrow's a holiday,  
So settle down your cattle 'til the mornin'.

## Flicker

The flicker of the campfire  
The wind and the rain  
The stars in the heavens  
Are shining again  
A place where people gather  
Make friends of all kinds  
A place where all of your troubles  
Are always left behind  
So give me a flickering campfire  
Warm and bright  
And give me some friends to sing with  
I'll be here all night  
For love is where you find it,  
I've found mine right here  
Just you and me and the campfire  
And the songs we love to hear  
Ba-dum-ba-du-du-du-du-du-dum.  
So give me a flickering campfire  
Warm and bright  
And give me some friends to sing with  
I'll be here all night  
For love is where you find it,  
I've found mine right here  
Just you and me and the campfire  
And the songs we love to hear.

### **Girl Scout Vespers**

(Tune: O' Christmas Tree)

Softly falls the light of day  
As our campfire fades away  
Silently each scout should ask  
Have I done my daily task?  
Have I kept my honor bright?  
Can I guiltless sleep tonight?  
Have I done and have I dared  
Everything to be prepared?

### **Green Trees**

Green trees around us, blue skies above;  
Friends all around us, in a world filled with love  
Taps sounding softly, hearts beating true  
As we all sing goodnight to you

### **Linger**

M-m, I want to linger  
M-m, a little longer  
M-m, a little longer here with you  
M-m, it's such a perfect night  
M-m, it doesn't seem quite right  
M-m, that this would be my last with you  
M-m, and come September  
M-m, we'll all remember

M-m, our camping joys and friendships true  
M-m, and as the years go by  
M-m, we'll all look back and sigh  
M-m, this is goodnight and not goodbye

### **Magic**

When I was young  
I thought the stars were made for wishing on  
And every hole deep in the tree must hide a  
leprechaun  
Old houses all had secret rooms, if one could  
find a key  
I do believe in Magic  
I believe

Magic is the sun that makes a rainbow out of  
rain,  
And magic keeps the dream alive to try and try  
again.  
Magic is the love that stays, when good friends  
have to leave  
I do believe in Magic  
I believe.

Growing up a grown-up said someday I'd awake  
to find,  
That Magic was a childhood game I'd have to  
leave behind  
Like clothes that would no longer fit,  
And toys that I'd ignore,  
I'd not believe in Magic anymore.

When I grew up, I learned again and much to  
my surprise  
That Magic did not fade away, it took a new  
disguise  
A childhood friend, a smile, a song,  
The courage to stand tall  
I do believe in Magic  
After all

Magic is the sun that makes a rainbow out of  
rain  
And magic keeps the dream alive to try and try  
again  
Magic is the love that stays, when good friends  
have to leave  
I do believe in Magic  
For love's the greatest Magic  
I do believe in Magic  
I believe

### **Moon on the Meadow**

Moon on the meadow, bugs in our ears  
Smoke in our eyes, wet wood and tears  
On up the meadow, water somewhere  
We were the only one's there  
White horses rushing, dry lakes and peaks  
Finding the love there, everyone seeks  
Hiking to rainbows, sunsets and stars  
Just finding out who we are  
We will return here, some lucky day  
Our hearts will guide us, they know the way  
People in cities, don't understand  
Falling in love with the land  
Moon on the meadow, bugs in our ears  
Smoke in our eyes, wet wood and tears  
On up the meadow, water somewhere  
With you my friend, I am there.

### **On My Honor**

\*(Chorus:)  
Oh my honor I will try  
There's a duty to be done and I say aye  
There's a reason here for a reason above  
My honor is to try and my duty is to love

People don't need to know my name  
If I've done any harm then I'm to blame  
If I've helped another then I've helped me  
If I've opened up my eyes to see.

I've tucked away a song or two  
If you're feeling low, there's one for you  
If you need a friend then I will come  
And there's plenty more where I come from

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Come with me where the fire burns bright,  
We can even see better by a candles light  
And we find more meaning in a campfires glow,  
And we'd ever learn in a year or so

We've made a promise to always keep  
And I pray "Softly Falls" before I sleep  
We'll be Girl Scouts together  
And when we're gone  
We'll still be trying and singing this song.  
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### **On The Loose**

\*(Chorus:)  
On the loose, to climb a mountain  
On the loose where I am free  
On the loose to live my life  
The way I think my life should be  
For I've only got this moment

And a whole world yet to see  
I'll be looking for tomorrow on the loose

Have you ever watched the sunrise  
Turn the sky completely red  
Have you slept beneath the moon and stars  
With a pine bough for your bed  
Do you sit and talk with friends  
Though a word is never said  
Then you're just like me  
And you've been on the loose

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There's a trail that I'll be hiking  
Just to see where it might go  
Many places yet to visit  
Many people yet to know  
So in following my dreams  
I will live and I will grow,  
On a trail that's waiting  
Out there on the loose

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### **One Tin Soldier**

Listen children to a story  
That was written long ago,  
'bout a kingdom on a mountain  
And the valley folks below.  
On the mountain was a treasure  
Hidden deep beneath a stone,  
And the valley people swore  
They'd have it for their very own.

\*(Chorus:)  
Go ahead and hate your neighbor,  
Go ahead and cheat a friend.  
Do it in the name of heaven,  
You can justify it in the end.  
There won't be any trumpets blowing,  
Come the judgment day,  
On the bloody morning after.....  
One Tin Soldier rides away.

So the people of the valley  
Sent a message up the hill,  
Asking for the buried treasure  
Tons of gold for which they'd kill.  
Came the answer from the kingdom,  
With our brothers we will share,  
All the riches of the mountain,  
All the treasure buried there.

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Now the valley cried with anger,  
Mount your horses, draw your swords  
And they killed the mountain people,

So they won their just rewards  
Now they stood before the treasure  
On the mountain dark and red  
Turned the stone and looked beneath it,  
Peace On Earth, was all it said.

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## **Rainbow**

We're a rainbow made of children  
We're an army singing a song  
There's no weapon that can stop us  
Rainbow love is much too strong

Some were taught that black was evil  
Some were taught that white was good  
But when you become a rainbow  
All the colors are understood

Sha la la la, sha la la la (x4)

I was raised in Girl Scouting  
Learning what life was all about  
Understanding needs of others  
Making friendships with other scouts  
(Repeat 1<sup>st</sup> verse)

## **Rose**

Rose, Rose, Rose, Rose  
Will I ever see the wed?  
I will marry at thy will sire  
At thy will

Ding, dong, ding, dong  
Wedding bells on an April morn  
Carve your name on a moss covered stone  
On a moss covered stone

Hey, ho, nobody's home  
No meat nor drink nor money have I none  
Still I will be very merry merry  
Hey, ho, nobody home

All poor birds, take thy flight  
High above the sorrows of this sad night

The wind in the willows  
Sighing like a solitary soul alone  
The wind in the willows  
Sighing like a solitary soul alone

## **Taps**

Day is done, gone the sun,

From the lakes, from the hills, from the sky;  
All is well, safely rest, God is nigh.

## **Today**

\*(Chorus:)

Today while the blossoms still cling to the vine  
I'll taste your strawberries  
I'll drink your sweet wine  
A million tomorrows shall all pass away  
Ere I forget all the joy that is mine.  
Today

I'll be a dandy and I'll be a rover  
You'll know what I am be the song that I sing  
I'll feast at your table, I'll sleep in your clover  
Who cares what tomorrow shall bring  
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I can't be contented with yesterday's glory  
I can't live on promises winter to spring  
Today is my moment and now is my story  
I'll laugh and I'll cry and I'll sing

## **Who Can Sail Away**

Who can sail away with no wind?  
Who can row without oars?  
Who can separate from dear friends  
Without a single tear?

Try to sail away with no wind;  
Try to row without oars:  
Try to separate from dear friends  
Without a single tear.

I can sail away with no wind.  
I can row without oars;  
But I can't separate from dear friends.  
Without a single tear.

## **Wisdom**

God gave the wise man their wisdom  
And to the poets their dreams  
To father and mother  
Their love for each other  
But he left me out so it seems

I went around broken hearted  
Thinking life was an empty affair  
But when God gave me you  
It was then that I knew  
He had given me more than my share