



# THE LYRICS OF JIMMY HANDSHIVE

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## EVERY DAY IS A HOLIDAY

EAO etc.

Sometimes you've been down so long  
You don't know which way is up  
Sometimes you've been down so long  
That any movement seems too much  
But every journey is starting with a step  
And we can take one today  
Let's sit down and review the situation  
Take a right step today

For every day has a purpose  
Once the work's begun  
And every meal is a banquet  
When all the invited come  
Every day is a holiday  
Once the work is done  
And every day is a holiday  
When all the invited come

EAO etc.

Sometimes you've been down so long  
You don't know which way is up  
Sometimes you've been down so long  
That any movement seems too much  
Let's take a step in the right direction  
Let's just review today  
Let's sit down and review the situation  
Take a right step today

For every day has a purpose  
Once the work's begun  
And every meal is a banquet  
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EAO etc.

And every evening we sit back  
Pleased with a job well done  
So this is a day that has been well spent  
As another evening comes  
And tomorrow dawns a brand new day  
Announced by the rising sun  
And every day has a purpose  
As soon as you give it one

Every day is a holiday  
Once the work is done  
And every day is a holiday  
When all the invited come

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When all the invited come

EAO etc, EAO etc

## TROPICAL OBSERVATIONS

I can smell the heat  
As soon as the plane door opens  
I can feel the heat  
Under my feet  
Rising from dusty trails  
That lead to a red-rutted road  
Where trenches (just) swallow its sides  
As it crawls past the paddy fields  
Up along the mountain side

### CHORUS

Welcome to my tropical land  
Where it doesn't rain it pours  
Welcome to my tropical world  
Where the welcome makes it yours  
Welcome to my tropical land  
Where it doesn't rain it pours  
Welcome to my tropical world  
Where the welcome makes it yours

Dawn arrives exactly on time  
With the sundowners scheduled for six  
We don't go out in the midday sun  
But bathe or seek the shade  
We watch the show of the sky at night  
With sounds and smells and insects' flight  
A cluster of moths around the light  
The magic of the tropical night

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Tropical observations  
Lead to conversations  
Some sort of communication  
Peppered by sensation  
Leads to exploration  
Builds to revelation  
A tropical dedication  
Capped by a joint creation

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### REPEAT CHORUS

## CONUNDRUM

It's a modern conundrum, the way that we exist  
We are rational beings, still fighting with our fists  
We close up ranks together, but like to be apart  
We balance out statistics, but then act life with our hearts  
The story's spun this way and that  
We're living a conundrum - that seems the only fact

It seems a crazy, mazy, mixed-up world  
With right and wrong confused  
I'm not sure of the truth no more  
Or what really makes the news  
What is good? What is bad? What is happy? What is sad?  
The story's spun this way and that  
We're living a conundrum - the only fact

Life just seems a conundrum  
It combines the fear with humdrum  
When really in the long run, we're looking to survive  
Life just seems a conundrum, with its sum of pain and fun  
No wonder in the setting sun, we're just looking to survive  
The story's spun this way and that  
We're living a conundrum - that seems the only fact

When the blind lead the blind  
You find another way to feel  
When the bland lead the bland  
You stand in a world that lacks appeal  
While the poor in heart, can hardly start, to empathise with all  
Yet the poor in purse are not averse  
To sometimes share their all  
The story's spun this way and that  
We're living a conundrum - that seems the only fact

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What is good? What is bad? What is happy? What is sad?  
The story's spun this way and that  
We're living a conundrum ...

When the blind lead the blind  
You find another way to feel  
(It seems a crazy, mazy mixed-up world)  
When the bland lead the bland  
You stand in a world that lacks appeal  
(I'm not sure of the truth no more)  
While the poor in heart, can hardly start, to empathise with all  
(What is good, what is bad, what is sad)  
Yet the poor in purse are not averse,  
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What is good? What is bad? What is happy? What is sad?  
The story's spun this way and that  
We're living a conundrum ... the only fact

## SLOW DAZE

Well I wouldn't start from here  
But this is where we are  
And I'll tell you all about it  
If I ever find a clue to it  
For sometimes on the slow days (Sometimes on the slow days)  
We're just getting through with it (Just getting through)  
Well I wouldn't start from here  
But this is where we are

When I'm in a hole  
I've been told to stop digging  
Just to keep my head down  
And always know my limit  
Well it's so very easy  
To be wise after the event  
And sometimes we have no control  
Over where or what we're sent

Well some days seem so easy  
They just glide on by  
But some days they still freeze me  
With the question always 'Why?'  
Well I'm not looking for the exit  
But if you have an answer - Text it!  
And you know you'll always get  
A smiley face reply.

Well I wouldn't start from here  
But this is where we are  
And I'll tell you all about it  
If I ever find a clue to it  
For sometimes on the slow days (Sometimes on the slow days)  
We're just getting through with it (Just getting through)  
Well I wouldn't start from here  
But this is where we are.

Slow Daze  
Slow Daze (Sometimes on the slow days, just getting through)  
Slow Daze  
Slow Daze  
Slow Daze (Sometimes on the slow days, just getting through)

## SKYLIGHT

Look through the skylight  
At a portion of the sky  
Is it dawn that is breaking  
Or do the stars still shine?

A section of the universe  
Is framed for us to see  
From day-time's sun  
To night's eternity

Look up at the skylight, check that the world is right  
Hear the rain against the pane  
Feeling that you're safe -  
Safe and water-tight

You're level with the chimney pots  
Your head almost in the clouds  
The world is very different here  
Escape from the crowds

With their sections of the universe  
Framed for them to see  
From day-time's sun  
To night's eternity

Look up at the skylight, check that the world is right  
Hear the rain against the pane  
Feeling that you're safe -  
Safe and water-tight

In the summer you can open up  
Even standing on a chair  
You look out over the roof tops  
Take in the city air  
Looking out of your window  
On all that lies below  
Looking out of your window  
As the world goes to and fro  
And at night you see the glow  
The squares of light in serried rows  
And the shine of attic rooms  
With skylights of their own

Look up at the skylight, check that the world is right  
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Look up at the skylight, check that the world is right  
Hear the rain against the pane  
Feeling that you're safe -  
Safe and water-tight

## REVOLUTION CHEVY BASS

When we hit the road that Summer  
Seems our wheels, rode on our dreams  
Little wonder, every number  
Thudded through with booming themes  
We were gonna create excitement  
Revolutionise the sound of youth  
We were bent on an adventure  
Chevrolet drive to find the truth

See if you can last the pace  
Revolution - Chevy - Bass  
Take a trip through time and space  
Revolution - Chevy - Bass  
Change the times and change your taste  
Find your mind and find your place  
See if you can last the pace  
Revolution - Chevy - Bass  
Revolution - Chevy - Bass

Well that was then but this is now  
Speakers long blown with the thudding sound  
The chevy run out of gas somehow  
The only revolution was our turn around  
Well that was then but this is now  
Time to revolve on the sound of truth  
Bringing bass and chevy back into use  
Forever driving with the sound of youth

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Revolution - Chevy - Bass  
Take a trip through time and space  
Revolution - Chevy - Bass  
Change the times and change your taste  
Find your mind and find your place  
See if you can last the pace  
Revolution - Chevy - Bass  
Revolution - Chevy - Bass

We're gonna change the world  
We're gonna change the world  
We're gonna change the world  
We're gonna change the world

See if you can last the pace  
Revolution - Chevy - Bass  
Take a trip through time and space  
Revolution - Chevy - Bass  
Change the times and change your taste  
Find your mind and find your place  
See if you can last the pace  
Revolution - Chevy - Bass  
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We're gonna change the world  
We're gonna change the world  
We're gonna change the world



## TOMORROW NEVER COMES

They used to say  
"Never put off 'til tomorrow  
What you can do today"  
But in their hearts, they were always hoping  
for the better days to come  
They were always hoping, for tomorrows in the sun

But with the striking of the clock  
That rings the midnight hour  
Today slips back to yesterday  
As we re-name where we are  
Tomorrow is now far away  
As we only live today  
We are also learning  
That tomorrow never comes

We are always hoping  
For the better days to come  
We are always hoping, for tomorrows in the sun  
We are always hoping  
For the better days to come  
We are also learning  
That tomorrow never comes

Tomorrow never comes  
While the future is a mist  
It's only when it happens  
That our lives exist  
So tomorrow never comes  
Its promise only stays  
If the dreams of tomorrow  
Become a reality today

We are always hoping  
For the better days to come  
We are always hoping, for tomorrows in the sun  
We are always hoping  
For the better days to come  
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Its promise only stays  
If those dreams of tomorrow  
Become reality today

We are always hoping  
For the better days to come  
We are also learning  
That tomorrow never comes

## LET US MEET ON THE BRIDGE

Seeing life as a journey  
People choose their travel style  
While some fast-track the motorway  
Others amble every mile  
Some will pause and rest awhile  
As others go that extra mile  
But all will make it in the end  
To reach the bridge to meet their friends

Let us meet on the bridge  
Greet each other on the bridge  
If we need, let us weep  
Let us weep on the bridge  
Share or keep our secrets  
Keep or share them on the bridge  
Let us meet, let us meet, meet each other on the bridge

Now we know the bridging points  
The transitions in a life-time  
From primary to secondary  
And later down the line  
Bridges carry over  
Crossing rivers, roads and rails  
Let us meet, let us meet, meet each other on the bridge

So let us meet on the bridge  
Greet each other on the bridge  
If we need, let us weep  
Let us weep on the bridge  
Share or keep our secrets  
Keep or share them on the bridge  
Let us meet, let us meet, meet each other on the bridge

Bridges carry over  
Crossing rivers, roads and rails  
From one stage to another  
In the changes of our lives  
They become the points of view  
Where you can see both sides  
And in renewing and reviewing  
You feel others on your side

So let us meet on the bridge  
Greet each other on the bridge  
If we need, let us weep  
Let us weep on the bridge

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Greet each other on the bridge  
If we need, let us weep  
Let us weep on the bridge

Let us meet, let us meet  
Meet each other on the bridge  
Let us meet, let us meet  
Meet each other on the bridge

## THE TRUTH THAT LIES WITHIN

Well I helped myself from the self -help section  
Looking to change my life  
The book I took was a random selection  
But the answers it gave seemed rife

I set out early to centre myself  
And to be mindful of all I see  
I was already to love myself  
And to spend time just to 'be'

But I soon grew tired of the psychobabble  
Except for the phrase that haunts me still  
It talked of 'the truth that lies within'  
To begin a way to live inside your skin

Well I've heard of a moral compass  
That we hope will guide us all  
An inner code that follows the road  
To keep us from a fall

But 'the truth that lies within'  
Seems a contradiction in itself  
Truth should not tell falsehoods  
Being the source of what is good  
The truth lies not, but lives within  
The truth that lives within  
The truth lies not, but lives within  
-the truth that lives within

But this is all a play on words  
As bad as the psychobabble guide  
Best stick to 'Thine own self be true'  
Along with my truth that lives inside  
The truth that lives within  
The truth that lives within  
The truth that lives within  
The truth that lives within

The truth lies not, but lives within  
The truth that lives within  
The truth lies not, but lives within  
The truth that lives within

## RECONVENING AFTER THE HIATUS

I wanted to be  
Like people I admired  
That could just sit home and watch T.V.  
I wanted to be  
Like people I admired  
That could just sit home and watch T.V.  
Until they felt that they were tired  
And then they would go to their beds  
While the restless people they got wired  
While the restless people  
Were getting wired

Reconvening after the hiatus  
Tackling problems as they face us  
Using intervening apparatus  
So we never miss a beat, in any line

It's not so much a question of status  
It's how you manage the hiatus  
It all comes down  
To what you feel  
We band together to complete the deal  
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Reconvening after the hiatus  
Tackling problems as they face us  
Using intervening apparatus  
So we never miss a beat, in any line

Eliminating and creating, sharp-dressed men  
Beards contemplating  
Joined together under Texan stars  
Eliminating and creating, sharp-dressed men  
Time to bond on the fur guitars

Reconvening after the hiatus  
Tackling problems as they face us  
Using intervening apparatus  
So we never miss a beat, in any line



## YOU DON'T MISS THE WATER

You don't miss the water, until the well runs dry  
You don't miss the truth, until it's all a lie  
You don't miss a friend, until you wave goodbye  
But if you go on living  
Then you will survive, then you will survive

You don't miss the sunshine, until the nights draw in  
You don't miss the laughter, until it's getting grim  
You don't celebrate disaster, so treasure up the gems  
For if you go on living  
Then you will survive, then you will survive

We don't miss the water till the well runs dry  
If we go on living then we will survive  
It is then and only then that we will think to cry  
Don't miss the water till the well runs dry  
We don't miss the water till the well runs dry

You suck in air, you take on fuel  
You keep on going, that's the rule  
Treat each day like one at school  
Keep on learning, keep a mind that's full  
Keep on learning, keep a mind that's full

There were moments I was laughing  
'Cause I didn't want to cry  
Or I was only laughing, because I wanted to get by  
But now I know I'm laughing, because you are by my side  
And if you go on living  
Then we will survive, then we will survive

We don't miss the water till the well runs dry  
If we go on living then we will survive  
It is then and only then that we will think to cry  
Don't miss the water till the well runs dry  
We don't miss the water till the well runs dry  
Don't miss the water till the well runs dry  
We don't miss the water till the well runs dry

Don't miss the water till the well runs dry  
We don't miss the water till the well runs dry  
Don't miss the water till the well runs dry  
We don't miss the water till the well runs dry ...

## COVER MY TRACKS

It can start with a phrase  
That seems to play in your head  
Then you catch a beat that moves your feet  
With the feel of all that's said  
Your mind is dancing with what's unsaid  
There's no knowing how ideas are bred

And suddenly there's a melody  
A song that's bigger than you and me  
Would you like to cover my tracks?  
Would you like to cover my tracks?  
Would you like to cover my tracks?  
Would you like to cover my tracks?

I know it helps to keep me on track  
Might even help to put me on the map  
Recording my songs validates the fact  
Might even help to put me on the map  
I've got you to cover my tracks

For suddenly there's a harmony  
A song that is bigger than you and me  
Would you like to cover my tracks?  
Would you like to cover my tracks?  
Would you like to cover my tracks?  
Would you like to cover my tracks?

You know I'm telling you there's something I lack  
Someone like you to put me on track  
Someone like you who covers my back  
Someone like you to cover my tracks

When you cover my tracks  
I won't disappear  
I just want my songs  
For the world to share  
For there's no knowing  
Where we are going  
Once I've got you  
To cover my tracks  
Won't you cover my tracks  
Yeah cover my tracks  
Won't you cover my tracks

You know I'm telling you there's something I lack  
Someone like you to put me on track  
Someone like you who covers my back  
Someone like you to cover my tracks

Someone like you, cover my tracks  
Won't you cover my tracks, cover my tracks  
Won't you cover my tracks, cover my tracks  
Won't you cover my tracks, cover my tracks

REPEAT TO FADE





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We've got your number. You don't need ours