

The Cat Came Back (short version)

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INTRO: *Vamp til ready*

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Now [Am] Old Mr. [G] Johnson had [F] troubles of his [E7] own
He [Am] had a yellow [G] cat, who [F] wouldn't leave his [E7] home
He [Am] tried and he [G] tried to [F] give the cat a-[E7]way
He [Am] gave it to a [G] man going [F] far, far a-[E7]way (*pause*)

But the [Am] cat came [G] back the [F] very next [E7] day
The [Am] cat came [G] back, they [F] thought he was a [E7] goner
But the [Am] cat came [G] back, he [F] just couldn't [E7] stay a-
[Am] way, a-[G] way, a-[F] way, a- [E7] way
Me- [Am] ow, me- [G] ow, me-[F] ow, me-[E7] ow

So, he [Am] gave it to a [G] man going [F] up in a bal-[E7] loon
He [Am] told him for to [G] take him to the [F] Man in the [E7] Moon
The bal-[Am] loon came [G] down about [F] ninety miles a-[E7] way
[Am] Where the man is [G] now, well I [F] dare not [E7] say (*pause*)

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So, he [Am] gave it to a [G] lady going [F] way out [E7] west
He [Am] told her for to [G] take it to the [F] one she loved the [E7] best
[Am] First the train [G] hit the track [F] then it jumped the [E7] rail
[Am] Not a soul was [G] left behind to [F] tell the gruesome [E7] (*slower & tremolo*)
tale...

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Outro: Me- [Am] ow, me- [G] ow, me-[F] ow, me-[E7] ow [Am]↓ Meow!