

## Abbott Hayes

### "The Real Thing"

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A mongoose can smile at a cobra  
But that cobra will always be a snake  
Diamante can shine like a diamond  
But you know, like I know  
That rock will be fake  
It's the real thing  
The real thing  
Nothing but the real thing  
It's real  
You can xerox the Mona Lisa  
Deadpan Da Vinci in every detail  
Might beat customs on a home-made visa  
But false papers  
Only gets you in jail  
It's the real thing  
The real thing  
Nothing but the real thing  
It's real  
Life wears a smile on it's face  
But it comes with a sting in it's tail  
Make believe fables have their place  
But only a fool. Only a fool  
Believes fairy tales  
I heard all the lies that they tell ya  
"Phone me baby. The cheque's in the mail"  
Well as fantasy. It may please ya  
As the real thing  
It does nothing but fail  
It's the real thing  
The real thing  
Nothing but the real thing  
It's real  
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The real thing  
Nothing but the real thing  
It's real

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