Gordon Goodwin's Big Phat Band "The Gypsy"

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Step inside my tent, said she, I'd like to read you palm Leave the dollar in the jar, this won't take very long Leave the circus noise behind, close your eyes, relax vour mind I'll tell you if you should quit now or if you should go on Then I said, now what do ya see She said, deedlee-dum, deedlee-dee Where'll I go, what'll I be She said, deedlee-dum, deedlee-dee She threw some sawdust in the air and her hands began to shake She told me the town where I was born, she almost knew the date She lit a candle with her eyes and then she made the table rise She took the dollar from the jar and then she guessed

my weight Then I said, now what do ya see

She said, deedlee-dum, deedlee-dee You are so old, you are so wise Deedlee-dum, deedlee-dy Give me a sign, tell it to me She said, deedlee-dum, deedlee-dee Then she spoke most quietly Deedlee-dum, deedlee-dee

When you we a child at school they taught you quite a lot

You were told when you should speak and when you should not

You were taught to read and write, to take your lessons home at night

A little knowledge serves you well but the golden rule does not

Then I said, now what do ya mean She said, deedlee-dum, deedlee-dee Where'll I go, what'll I be She said, deedlee-dum, deedlee-dee Then when I came home that night to lie in bed awake I thought of that old gypsy and the words that she had said And now I see with due respect, the more we learn the worse we get So if you feel you've no regrets, go have your fortune read

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