

## **Cab Calloway**

### **"Jess's Natu'lly Lazy"**

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Boy, what's the matter with you?  
You ain't got no pep at all today! I always gets tired  
when it gets hot like this, you know.  
You is lazy, Is I?  
You just natu'lly lazy! That's what's the matter with me?  
You're doing nothing all the day. No, I don't never do  
nothing.  
You is loafin' on the levee. Yeah!  
Was you born that way? Yeah, I was born just like I is  
now, just like I is.

I know, but you is lazy! Yeah.  
Just look at you,  
You just natu'lly lazy. Yeah, I'm lazy!  
Sitting there watching them muddy waters play. Yeah.  
'Cause you're heart's never heavy. Oh, no.  
Tell me, boy, was you born that way? Just like I is now,  
just like I is.  
Now, look here with that chicken so sweet, Chicken!  
And gravy five inches deep, Good gravy!  
The kind that melts right in your mouth. Great Caesar!  
You sleep 'til you eat, Loves to sleep.  
You eat 'til you sleep, Eat, too.  
That's your busy day down South. Busy sleepin'.

You'se lazy, Yeah, I is.  
Just natu'lly lazy, Hmmm-hmmm-hmmm.  
Down in Dixie let him stay, Oh, what's that?  
Lordy, but he's lucky,  
He was born that way.

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