

# Joni Mitchell

## "Taming The Tiger"

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I stepped outside to breathe the air  
And stare up at the stars  
Big dipper hanging there  
Over the rented car  
Over the rented car  
I'm a runaway from the record biz  
From the hoods in the hood and the whiny white kids

Boring  
The old man is snoring  
And I'm taming the tiger  
(You can't tame the tiger)  
Tiger, tiger burning bright  
Nice, kitty kitty  
Tiger, tiger burning bright

Sophia says it's hard to catch  
And harder still to ride  
The time to watch the beast the best  
Is when it's purring at your side  
Purring at your side  
Accolades and honors  
One false move and you're a goner

Boring  
The old man is snoring  
And I'm taming the tiger  
(You can't tame the tiger)  
Tiger, tiger burning bright  
Nice, kitty kitty  
Tiger, tiger burning bright

In the forest of the night  
The moon shed light  
On my hopeless plight  
As the radio blared so bland  
Every disc, a poker chip  
Every song just a one night stand  
Formula music, girly guile  
Genuine junkfood for juveniles  
Up and down the dial  
Mercenary style

I watched the stars chuck down their spears  
And a plane went blinking by  
And I thought of Anna  
Wild and dear  
Like fireworks in the sky  
Fireworks in the sky  
I'm so sick of this game  
It's hip, it's hot  
Life's too short, the whole thing's gotten

Boring  
The old man is snoring  
And I'm taming the tiger  
(You can't tame the tiger)  
Tiger, tiger burning bright  
Nice, kitty kitty

(Boring!)  
Tiger, tiger burning bright  
(You can't tame the tiger)  
Oh, be nice, kitty kitty

(Boring!)  
Tiger, tiger burning bright  
Nice, kitty kitty

(Boring, boring!)  
Tiger, tiger burning bright  
(Fight to the light, fight to the light)  
In the forest of the night

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