

## Cat Empire "1001"

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Parking Inspector  
- just made my list of one thousand  
one thousand and one

but ah Parking Inspector

Went to my friends  
when I found a fine beat  
cos I like to play a rhythm  
where the rhythm plays me  
play it all day  
on a balcony above the street  
where old Franky and me we  
shuffle with our feet  
And old man Goergie  
takes some sugar with his tea  
when he's stirred by a melody  
of hands moving easy  
you see it reminds him  
dreams by the sea  
where the breeze blows  
underneath that island tree

And we played til the playing  
Gave us the munchies  
then we played in the kitchen  
made the easy gods happy  
cos we left them a little chilli-special  
and some chocolate we eat because it's sweet  
when I leave I am smiling  
at the things I haven't done  
oh I haven't broke a sweat  
and I haven't had to run  
for the list of one-thousand  
-and-one that does plague me  
on some days  
when the sun rays don't come

Parking Inspector  
just made my list of one thousand  
one thousand and one

but ah Parking Inspector  
[won't let you wreck my fun]

When I get to my car  
I am faced with a sight  
that is strange and it's sad  
and it's mad it's not right  
there's one thousand and one  
spaces free but I see  
that he find me guilty  
of the time over fee  
Now I know why my mother  
why my mother warned me  
said 'you might be lucky  
but know nothing comes for free'  
she is right - entirely  
cos the ticket paid the song  
that I sing to this beat

Parking inspector  
just made my list of one thousand  
one thousand and one  
but ah parking inspector  
won't let you wreck my fun  
cos when I pay for my ticket  
I won't curse and despise  
no i'll run into the girl  
with the slinky blue eyes  
then my list of one thousand and one  
will remain  
I had plans to get it done  
but now my plans they have changed

Parking Inspector  
just made my list of one thousand  
one thousand and one

but ah Parking Inspector

'just listen to the bass and the funky drums'

Parking Inspector  
just made my list of one thousand  
grow a little more  
but ah parking inspector  
you won't believe what I saw  
on the back of my ticket  
with invisible type  
was a map to the place  
with one thousand delights  
and a key that was one to that

spot by the sea where the breeze  
blows underneath that island tree

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