

Laurie Anderson

"The Cat Came Back"

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Old Mister Johnson had troubles of his own
He had a yellow cat that wouldn't leave it's home;
He tried and he tried to give the cat away,
He gave it to a man goin' far, far away.

But the cat came back the very next day,
The cat came back, we thought he was a goner
But the cat came back; it just couldn't stay away.
Away, away, yea, yea, yea

So he gave it to a woman going up in a balloon,
He told him for to take it to the man in the moon;
The balloon came down about ninety miles away,
Where the balloon is, where I can't say

But the cat came back the very next day,
The cat came back, we thought he was a goner
But the cat came back; it just couldn't stay away.
Away, away, yea, yea, yea

So he gave it to a man going way out West,
Told him for to take it to the one he loved the best;
First the train hit the curve, then it jumped the rail,
Not a soul was left behind to tell the gruesome tale.

But the cat came back the very next day,
The cat came back, we thought he was a goner
But the cat came back; it just couldn't stay away.
Away, away, yea, yea, yea

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