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CIRCLE GAME (Joni Mitchell)

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Yesterday a child came out to wonder Caught a dragonfly inside a jar. Fearful when the sky was full of thunder And tearful at the falling of a star.

Then the child grew ten times 'round the seasons Skated over ten clear, frozen streams Words like "when you're older" must appease him. And promises of someday make his dreams.

And the seasons, they go 'round and 'round And the painted ponies go up and down We're captive on the carousel of time. We can't return, we can only look Behind from where we came. And go 'round and 'round and 'round in the circle game

Sixteen Springs and sixteen Summers gone now Cartwheels lost to cartwheels through the town And they tell him, "Take your time, it won't be long now Till you drag you heels to slow the circles down.

So the boy who dreamed tomorrow now is 20. Though his dreams have lost some grandeur coming true.

There'll be new dreams, maybe better dreams and plenty.

Before the last revolving year is through.

## CHORUS

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