

## Lightfoot Gordon

### "The Gypsy"

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Step inside my tent, said she, I'd like to read you palm  
Leave the dollar in the jar, this won't take very long  
Leave the circus noise behind, close your eyes, relax  
your mind  
I'll tell you if you should quit now or if you should go on

Then I said, now what do ya see  
She said, deedlee-dum, deedlee-dee  
Where'll I go, what'll I be  
She said, deedlee-dum, deedlee-dee

She threw some sawdust in the air and her hands  
began to shake  
She told me the town where I was born, she almost  
knew the date  
She lit a candle with her eyes and then she made the  
table rise  
She took the dollar from the jar and then she guessed  
my weight

Then I said, now what do ya see  
She said, deedlee-dum, deedlee-dee  
You are so old, you are so wise  
Deedlee-dum, deedlee-dy  
Give me a sign, tell it to me  
She said, deedlee-dum, deedlee-dee  
Then she spoke most quietly  
Deedlee-dum, deedlee-dee

When you we a child at school they taught you quite a  
lot  
You were told when you should speak and when you  
should not  
You were taught to read and write, to take your lessons  
home at night  
A little knowledge serves you well but the golden rule  
does not

Then I said, now what do ya mean  
She said, deedlee-dum, deedlee-dee  
Where'll I go, what'll I be

She said, deedlee-dum, deedlee-dee

Then when I came home that night to lie in bed awake  
I thought of that old gypsy and the words that she had  
said

And now I see with due respect, the more we learn the  
worse we get

So if you feel you've no regrets, go have your fortune  
read

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