## Paxton Tom "The Marvelous Toy"

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The Marvelous Toy (Tom Paxton)

When I was just a wee little lad full of health and joy My father homeward came one night and gave to me a toy

A wonder to behold, it was, with many colors bright And the moment I laid eyes on it it became my heart's delight

It went "zip" when it moved and "bop" when it stopped And "whirr" when it stood still I never knew just what it was and I guess I never will.

The first time that I picked it up, I had a big surprise For right on its bottom were two big buttons that Looked like big green eyes.

I first pushed one and then the other, and then I twisted its lid

And when I set it down again, this is what it did:

It first marched left and then marched right And then marched under a chair And when I looked where it had gone, it wasn't even there:

I started to sob and my daddy laughed, for he knew that I would find,

When I turned around, my marvelous toy, chugging from behind.

Well, the years have gone by too quickly, it seems, I have my own little boy
And yesterday I gave to him my marvelous little toy.
His eyes nearly popped right out of his head
And he gave a squeal of glee,
Neither one of us knows just what it is,
but he loves it, just like me.

@kids

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