

**Bob Dylan - Subterranean Homesick Blues** (Album: Bringing It All Back Home (1965))

[ A7, A7 ]

Johnny's in the basement mixin up the medicine  
I'm on the pavement thinkin bout the government  
man in a trenchcoat badge out laid off  
says he's got a bad cough, want's to get it paid off

**D7** look out kid somthin ya did

**A7** god knows when, but your doin it again  
better duck down the alleyway, lookin for a new friend

**E7** man in a coonskin cap and a pigpen wants

**A7** 11 dollar bills, you only got ten

maggie comes fleet foot, face full of black soot  
talkin that the heat put, plants in the bed but  
phoned tapped anyway, maggie says that many say  
must bust in early May, orders from the DA

**D7** look out kid don't matter what ya did

**A7** better walk on your tip toes, don't tie no bows  
better stay away from those, who carry around a fire hose

**E7** keep a clean nose, watch the plain clothes

**A7** you don't need a weather man to know which way the wind blows

get sick get well, hang around the ink well  
hang bell(?), hard to tell, if anything is going to sell  
try hard, get barred, get back, ride rail  
get jailed, jump bail, join the army if you fail

**D7** look out kid your gonna get hit

**A7** by losers, cheaters, six time users- - - hangin round the theaters

**E7** girl by the whirlpool, lookin for a new fool

**A7** don't follow leaders, watch your parkin meters

get born keep warm short pants romance  
learn to dance get dressed get blessed, try to be a success  
please her please him, buy gifts don't steal don't lift  
20 years of schoolin' and they put ya on the dayshift

**D7** look out kid they keep it all hid

**A7** better jump down a manhole, light yourself a candle  
don't wear sandals, try to avoid the scandals

**E7** don't wanna be a bum, ya better chew gum

**A7** the pump don't work cause the vandals took the handle