The Marvelous Toy (Key of G)
by Tom Paxton

When I was just a wee little kid, full of health and joy----

My father homeward came one night and gave 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

Chorus:

It went zip when it moved, bop when it stopped and whirrrr 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 got a big surprise----

For right on the bottom were two big buttons that looked like big green eyes----

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

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

Chorus:

It went zip when it moved, bop when it stopped and whirrrr when it stood still----

I never knew just what it was and I guess I never will----

It first marched left, then marched right, then marched under a chair----

When I looked where it had gone, it wasn’t even there----

I started to cry and my daddy laughed for he knew that I would find----

When I turned a-round, my marvelous toy was chugging from behind
It went zip when it moved, bop when it stopped and whirrrr when it stood still——
I never knew just what it was and I guess I never will———
Well, the years have gone by too quickly it seems, I now have my own little boy———
And yesterday, I gave to him my marvelous little toy———
His eyes nearly popped right out of his head, he gave a squeal of glee——
Neither one of us knows just what it is, but he loves it just like me

It still goes zip when it moves, bop when it stops, whirrr when it stand still——
I never knew just what it was and I guess I never will———

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