When I was just a wee little kid, full of health and joy,  
My father homeward came one night and gave to me a toy.  
A wonder to be-hold it was, with many colors bright.  
And the moment I laid eyes on it, it be-came my heart's de-light.

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 sur-prise.
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 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 around, my marvelous toy was chugging from be-hind.

Chorus
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.

Chorus: It still goes zip when it moves and bop when it stops and whirrrr when it stands still
I never knew just what it was and I guess I never will.