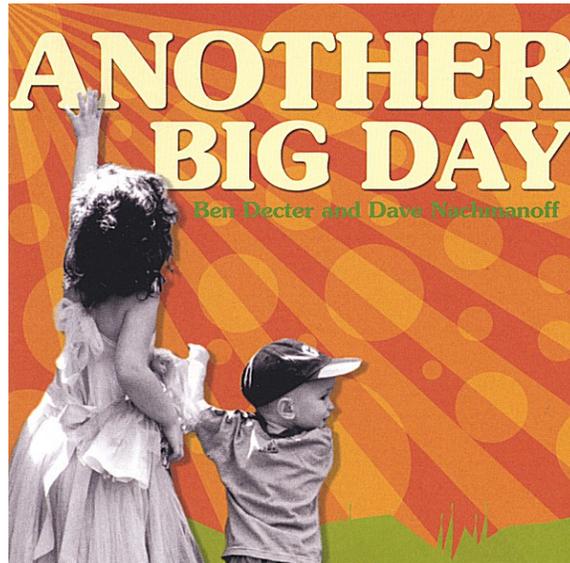


# **BEN DECTER AND DAVE NACHMANOFF**

## **"ANOTHER BIG DAY" CD LYRICS**



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## ANOTHER BIG DAY

Words & Music by Ben Decter and Dave Nachmanoff

Waking up I'm drowsy, sleep still in my eyes  
Day stretched out before me, as the sun begins to rise  
I'm headed down to breakfast, puttin' on my shoes  
The day's just getting started, there's so much I want to do

It's another big day, it's another big day  
I know that it will be  
Another big day, it's another big day  
Another big day for me

Soon I'll have my breakfast, I hope it's eggs and toast  
Chocolate chips and waffles, but my mother might say "no"  
Then I could go swimming, and bring my brother too  
Climb the Himalayas, and still I won't be through

It's another big day, it's another big day  
I know that it will be  
Another big day, it's another big day  
Another big day for me

Taking all my toys out, and making such a mess  
I'm feeling like a princess, wearing every dress  
Then it will be bathtime, but still I'm going strong  
They'll tuck us into bed, but we'll stay up all night long

It's another big day, it's another big day  
I know that it will be  
Another big day, it's another big day  
Another big day for me

## GOIN' TO GRANDMA'S

Words & Music by Ben Decter and Dave Nachmanoff

I'm going to grandma's, you can't make me stay  
I'm going to grandma's, I'm leaving today  
I'm going to grandma's, she feeds me right  
I'm going to grandma's, I'll be leaving tonight

She don't give me wheatgerm  
Or carrot-juice  
She don't feed me liver  
She lets me choose  
Ice cream for breakfast  
Hot dogs as well  
She gives me chocolate  
And she won't tell

I'm going to grandma's, you can't make me stay  
I'm going to grandma's, I'm leaving today  
I'm going to grandma's, she feeds me right  
I'm going to grandma's, I'll be leaving tonight

Pickles and popcorn, potato pie  
My plate is packed! It's piled so high  
My grandma loves me, I love her too  
When we start eating, we're never through

I'm going to grandma's, you can't make me stay  
I'm going to grandma's, I'm leaving today  
I'm going to grandma's, she feeds me right  
I'm going to grandma's, I'll be leaving tonight  
Here I go!

So Mom can you give me a ride?

## CAN'T GET TO THE ZOO?

Words & Music by Ben Decter and Dave Nachmanoff

Oh we are going to the zoo, we'll see a lion, a kangaroo  
We'll scream like monkeys and chimpanzees  
And fly around like parakeets

Don't despair never fear, there's a lot to do here  
Look around by the tree, now run quick don't you see?  
A lizard and some possums, in the grass by the blossoms  
All there for you, outside of the zoo

What do you do when you can't get to the zoo?  
Look around and you'll find that there's plenty to do

There are bugs, there are bees  
All those birds, in the breeze  
Down the hill past that tree  
Go on down you won't believe  
Some fish and an otter, swimming in the water  
Worms down below, wherever you go!

What do you do when you can't get to the zoo?  
Look around and you'll find that there's plenty to do

Even if, your car's stuck  
You are not, out of luck  
Use your eyes, there is more  
There's so much to explore  
The world's overflowing, always changing, ever growing  
Whoops! There's a toad...squished in the road

What do you do when you can't get to the zoo?  
Look around and you'll find that there's plenty to do

## FUNNY RUBEN

Words & Music by Ben Decter and Dave Nachmanoff

Funny Ruben, Funny Ruben  
Funny Ruben won't you make her go away

Funny Ruben, Funny Ruben  
Funny Ruben oh I really want to stay

There's so many things that we can do  
Funny Ruben I am asking you  
for your help

Funny Ruben, Funny Ruben  
Funny Ruben I don't want another shot

Funny Ruben, Funny Ruben  
Funny Ruben cause the last one hurt a lot

The doctor said that I would feel a pinch  
It would be so quick I wouldn't flinch  
But it hurt!

Mom and Dad they don't believe in you  
they say I'm making you up  
But you always stay right by my side  
When things get tough  
Cause you're my friend

Funny Ruben, Funny Ruben  
Funny Ruben only you can understand

Funny Ruben, Funny Ruben  
Funny Ruben won't you come and take my hand

I don't even think I'll have to cry  
If I know that you are by my side  
It could help

Funny Ruben, Funny Ruben  
Funny Ruben I need you

## SOMETIMES I PREFER TO BE ALONE

Words and music by Ben Decter, Dave Nachmanoff & Jackie Sloan

Addie Mae come out and play  
there's a new girl just moved in today  
right down the block  
I think you'd like to meet her

Her name is Gail and she likes snails  
she looks like you with her pony tail  
and would you believe  
she's got a frog named Peter

Sometimes I prefer to be alone  
quiet in my bedroom here at home  
It's not that I don't like you  
sometimes I prefer to be alone

Addie Mae come out and play  
don't tell us we should go away  
cause we're your friends  
and we'd all like to see you

Mary Lou, she's here too  
she's got some things to show to you  
and Gail says  
she'd really like to meet you

Sometimes I prefer to be alone  
quiet in my bedroom here at home  
it's not that I don't like you  
sometimes I prefer to be alone

Open up my closet  
Put a dress on for a while  
I look like Cinderella  
She always makes me smile  
That's the story I love the best

Addie Mae come out and play  
If you don't want to that's okay  
We'll come back tomorrow afternoon

There's bugs to catch and trees to climb  
But it's getting close to dinner time  
We'll leave you now, you know we'll be back soon

Sometimes I prefer to be alone  
quiet in my bedroom here at home  
It's not that I don't like you  
sometimes I prefer to be alone

## TO THE BALL!

Words & Music by Ben Decter and Dave Nachmanoff

Tell me fair Princess most beautiful girl  
Does your dress sparkle? Is it long, does it twirl?  
Come with me Princess your coach it is here  
The horses are waiting, the castle is near

To the Ball, to the Ball everyone's dancing  
To the Ball, to the Ball in your glittering gown  
To the Ball, to the Ball you can wear your glass slippers  
The loveliest Princess of all  
At the Ball...

Oh tell me fair Princess  
Will your brother come too?  
He looks like he's ready  
His gown is so blue

Don't you think he'd be sad  
If you left him behind?  
Let him wear your old dress  
I'm sure no one will mind

To the Ball, to the Ball everyone's dancing  
To the Ball, to the Ball in your glittering gown  
To the Ball, to the Ball you can wear your glass slippers  
The loveliest Princess of all  
At the Ball...

# MONDAY MESS

Words & Music by Ben Decter and Dave Nachmanoff

How could one little kid  
Make such a mess  
On a Monday afternoon?

There are cups and dolls and trucks and balls  
Scattered around the room  
What's that I see now over there?  
A pack of cards and a big stuffed bear

How could one little kid  
Make such a mess  
On a Monday Afternoon?

How could one little kid  
Make such a mess  
On a Monday afternoon?

There's playdough, scissors, body-paints  
Feathers, felt and glue  
Projects finished, some half-done  
Someone just had too much fun!

How could one little kid  
Make such a mess  
On a Monday afternoon?

How could one little kid  
Make such a mess  
On a Monday afternoon?

There are sparkles, jewels, and crayon bits  
Butter, beads and spoons  
Water spilled the trucks all crashed  
And I'm afraid the couch is trashed!

How could one little kid  
Make such a mess  
On a Monday afternoon

## THE CLEANING FAIRY

Words & Music by Ben Decter and Dave Nachmanoff

Well you had a good time with your fingerpaints  
And that squishy lump of clay  
But it's getting late and who do you think's  
Gonna put this stuff away?

The cleaning fairy, the cleaning fairy  
When you wake up with the dawn  
The room is clean, and you don't know how  
But the mess you made is gone

I'll let you in on a secret now  
It's really kind of sad  
That poor old tired cleaning fairy  
Is really your mom or dad

The cleaning fairy, the cleaning fairy  
When you wake up with the dawn  
The room is clean, and you don't know how  
But the mess you made is gone

So if you like your room clean  
In the morning when you wake  
Before you go to bed "CLEAN UP!"  
Give the cleaning fairy a break

The cleaning fairy, the cleaning fairy  
When you wake up with the dawn  
The room is clean, and you don't know how  
But the mess you made is gone

## EVERYTHING HAS A PLACE/GALEN'S SONG

Words & Music by Ben Decter and Dave Nachmanoff

Everything has a place where it goes  
In a cupboard, in a drawer or on a shelf  
And you're really gettin' to be a big kid  
When you can put them back yourself

A tiny little baby is so helpless  
And can't do the things you do  
Like putting the toys in the toybox  
Or the elephant back in the zoo

Just like your finger, fits in your nose  
Everything has a place where it goes

*I'll do it, 'cause I have to, but I don't want to clean my room  
Playing soldiers, upon horses, that's the only good use for a broom  
I hate to clean my room, yeah I hate to clean my room!*

Your animals each have a place where they live  
On your bed, on your dresser, not the floor  
And your special Winnie-the-Pooh pajamas  
Have a hook on the back of the door

Your doll, she lives in her apartment  
And the book that you just read  
Belongs up there on the bookshelf  
And you should be in your bed

Just like your finger, fits in your nose  
Everything has a place where it goes

*Doing dishes, is stupid, we should just use paper cups  
I'll put them in the trashcan, when I'm older and all grown up  
Cause I hate to clean my room, yeah I hate to clean my room!*

## SCRUB-A-DUB-A-DUB

Words & Music by Ben Decter and Dave Nachmanoff

Scrub-a-Dub-a-Dub, it's time to jump in the tub  
Scrub-a-Dub-a-Dub, it's time to jump in the tub

Out in the yard all day, that's where I like to play  
In the dirt goes my hand, put my feet in the sand  
Now it's time to wash it all away

Scrub-a-Dub-a-Dub, it's time to jump in the tub  
Scrub-a-Dub-a-Dub, it's time to jump in the tub

Playing with my big boats, watch as my sandwich floats  
From my foot to my nose, skin so clean that it glows  
No one could confuse me with a goat!

Scrub-a-Dub-a-Dub, it's time to jump in the tub  
Scrub-a-Dub-a-Dub, it's time to jump in the tub

Bath-time can be fun-time, it's the one time of the day  
When I don't have to wear my clothes, I can splash in the water and play!

Scrub-a-Dub-a-Dub, it's time to jump in the tub  
Scrub-a-Dub-a-Dub, it's time to jump in the tub

## THE (ALMOST) TRAGIC TALE OF THE DIRTY DIAPER

Words & Music by Ben Decter & Dave Nachmanoff

My diaper is dirty and I don't know what to do  
noone's been around here for a minute or two

My diaper is dirty, I hope they won't be long  
I'll just sit here and sing my little song...

My diaper is dirty but my sister just walked in  
I wonder if she'd change me, but how can I begin?

My diaper is dirty but how to let her know  
I can't talk yet, I'm only two years old

My diaper is dirty but I'm hopin' that she'll try  
I know that she loves me but my sister's only five

My diaper is dirty and it needs to be replaced  
Relief is on the way, I can see my Daddy's face

My diaper is clean now, the old one's finally gone  
thanks to my daddy I no longer have it on

I felt like a package that was left upon the shelf  
I can't wait till I'm old enough  
To use the potty for myself

## GULLIVER THE COWBOY CAT

Words & Music by Ben Decter and Dave Nachmanoff

Well he lived out West, and he rode the range, in his 15 gallon hat  
With his boots, his vest, and it may sound strange, but that cowboy was a cat  
Out over the rolling plains, he followed the wagon trail  
He was fiercely independent, you could tell by the way he kept flicking his tail

Whoopy-ty-yi-ay meow... the cat who was a cowboy  
Whoopy-ty-yi-ay meow... that wonderful cowboy cat

Them doggies, never came too close, when they saw his mighty claws  
And when he walked in, heaven knows, all the conversation paused  
All eyes would be on him then, but he didn't care about that  
He was looking for his lady, who went by the name of Miss Scruffy The Cat

Whoopy-ty-yi-ay meow... the cat who was a cowboy  
Whoopy-ty-yi-ay meow... that wonderful cowboy cat

One night he heard, that she had been catnapped, by a scoundrel called Freddy the  
Fierce  
The Cowboy Cat growled, and he dared Fred to fight him, he hissed and he flattened  
his ears

The sun was hanging high overhead, the streets looked mighty bare  
Because everyone was laying bets, would Freddy take the dare?  
Then through the doors of the old saloon, came Fred with Miss Scruffy in tow  
But when he saw his rival waiting – Fred fled just as fast as his four feet would go

Whoopy-ty-yi-ay meow... the cat who was a cowboy  
Whoopy-ty-yi-ay meow... that wonderful cowboy cat

## JUST ASK THE SHEEP

Words & Music by Ben Decter and Dave Nachmanoff

I know I should be in my bed, but I'm creepin' down the stairs instead  
I can hear my parents laughing through the door  
I've counted sheep for an hour straight, and I know that it is getting late  
But the sheep say I can't stay in bed no more

I'm not tired, I can't fall asleep  
I'm not tired...  
Just ask the sheep

I think I'm thirsty or I need a snack  
I'll find some cookies and I'll bring 'em back  
Mom and Dad won't even know that I'm awake

I'm as quiet as a little mouse  
I'm tippy-toeing through the house  
My tummy's crying for a piece of cake

I'm not tired, I can't fall asleep  
I'm not tired...  
Just ask the sheep

What if a monster is under my bed?!  
What if a lobster crawls onto my head?!

Shhhhhh...

I'm not tired, I can't fall asleep  
I'm not tired...  
Just ask the sheep

## **ANOTHER BIG DAY (REPRISE)**

Words & Music by Ben Decter and Dave Nachmanoff

Now at last I'm tired, Mom and Dad have said goodnight  
I don't even try to argue, fall asleep without a fight  
Cause tomorrow is a new day, I'll be waking with the sun  
And I finally close my eyes, and dream of all I've done

It was another big day, another big day  
Just like I knew that it would be  
It was another big day, another big day  
Another big day for me