# Happy Birthday Blues

J. Sample, W. Jennings (performed by B. B. King)

16-bar verses, 8-bar chorus

[8-bars intro in same key]

Baby lights her cigarette  
And she takes a look around  
She says that old morning sun  
Sure does get her down  
Nothing else for her to see

So then she calls on me  
Just to help her lose  
Those happy birthday blues  
  
Grandpa takes a drink of wine  
And tells it like it was  
Tells me all he wants to do  
Is what everybody does  
Say he'd give the world  
For a little girl  
Just to help him lose  
Those happy birthday blues

**Chorus [x2]**  
Happy birthday blues  
Happy birthday blues  
Got to pay your dues  
Those happy birthday blues

In and out and on and on  
Everybody goes  
And where the fun finally stops  
Everybody knows  
Girl, it's me and you  
Doing what we do  
Just one way to lose  
Those happy birthday blues

**Chorus [x3]**  
Happy birthday blues  
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Got to pay your dues  
Those happy birthday blues