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(Ted Edwards)

1. Ladybird sit on me 'and
I know if tha stays when I've finished me rhyme
Whatever it is I command
Whatever I'm wishing for soon will be mine.
In our 'ouse there's no din
I wish there were somebody in.

Chorus
Ladybird, ladybird, fly away home
Your 'ouse is on fire, and your childen are gone.

2. Ladybird, listen to me.
I've not seen me father for many a day
He comes home whenever he's free
But not very much 'cos he works far away
Last year he worked in the town
Now they're pullin' the factory down.

3. Ladybird, in't it a crime?
Me mam is a-workin' away down in mill
She comes home about supper time
She's on afternoons, so I've hours to kill.
I'll queue for some chips and some fish
Then I'll switch on the telly and wish.

4. Ladybird, don't spread your wings
I don't understand these words on the news.
Redeployment, inflation and things -
It's just like a game, some win and some lose.
But some of 'em win all the time
Me mam says as cheatin's a crime.

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