Carlos Lyra, The Razor Blade-eater

Once upon a hard time Back in my Cear I felt hunger So much, I decided To leave all behind me To look over yonder And wander away

Got a lift on a truck With my stuff Of a wealthy hillbilly Two pair of old pants And one ukulele For worse or for better I headed this way

Down in Rio I stepped On the beaches Of Copacabana, I slept in the ditches Of Copacabana And did funny numbers For people to see

Holy virgin! No one can imagine How much I was hungry My voice nearly fading Would make me more funny While singing my number So far out of key

(Spoken): So that was when I decided to eat razor blades. There was an old buddy of mine from ba

Holy smoke! There was never a joke As bad as my story The more I would worry The more I went broke And more I felt hungry, Beginning to starve

When I watched the fellas In restaurants Stuffing their bellies I saw at that instant How much I was missing The hunger I felt Back in my Cear

And again I would stroll By the beaches Of Copacabana And crawl through the ditches Of Copacabana Just singing routines To the crowds going by

Holy shit! I was hungry and sick And hardly a singer My voice getting weaker My bones getting thinner My body so light That it could even fly...

(Spoken): Sometimes, the hunger was so bad, we'd get into a fight just sos we could ca

Going back To my ol Cear Where at least Im somebody Out here Im a hick And a hungry nobody A silly hillbilly Without any means Gonna split Out of here before This whole crisis increases I fear the world Is just going to pieces Cant get any worse Than its already been