

# Lou Reed, Families

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Mama, you tell me, how's the family  
And Papa, tell me how thing's going by you  
And little baby sister, I heard that you got married  
And I heard that you had yourself a little baby girl, too  
And here's some uncles and some cousins, I know, baby please  
And would you believe my old dog Tessa's here too  
And would you believe that nobody in this family wanted to keep her  
And now that dog's more of a part of this family, then I am, too  
I don't come home much anymore  
No, no, no I don't come home much anymore  
Mama

And Mama, I know I've disappointed you are  
And Papa, I know that you feel the same way, too  
And no, no, no, no, no I still haven't got married  
And no, no, no there's no grand stunt planned here for you  
And by the way, daddy tell me how's the business  
I understand that your stock is going very high  
No, daddy, you're not a poor man anymore  
And I hope you'll realize it before you die  
Because I don't come home much anymore  
No, no, no, no, no I don't come home much no more  
But daddy

And please, please, please, please, please, common  
let's not start this business again  
I know how much you resent the life that I have  
But one more time - I don't want the family business  
Don't want to inherit it upon the day that you die  
Really, daddy, shouldn't you give it to my sister  
You know, Elisabeth, you know, Elisabeth  
she has a better head for those things than I  
She lives practically round the corner  
That's really the kind of child you could be proud of  
But papa, I know this business is a mistake  
There's nothing there we have in common, except our name  
And families that live out in the suburbs  
Often make each other cry  
And I don't think I'll come home much anymore  
No, no, I don't think I'll come home much again  
Mama, Papa  
We often make each other cry  
No, I don't think I'll come home much anymore

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