

# Poi Dog Pondering, The Ancient Egyptians

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(A Love Letter to Jonathan Richman)

Well the Ancient Egyptians, and the other Africans  
The Mayans, the Incas, and all the Polynesians.  
All around the world, a long long time ago,  
People would walk, where ever they had to go.  
They didn't have car keys, and they didn't have roads --  
They didn't have those ugly convenience stores, or Texacos  
In fact, all around the world, a long long time ago,  
people would walk, where ever they had to go.  
Well now it's the 1990's, and the gasoline does flow,  
but I still try and walk most of the places I have to go  
But sometimes my friends will stop and say,  
"Hey Frank! There's a bus or a cab over there...  
Why don't we go ahead and get in it?"  
But I say no, no, no, and didn't you know,  
you get to know things better when they go by slow.