

Dianne Reeves, The First Five Chapters

Yesterdays... Yesterdays... Yesterdays
If you want to clap your hands it's okay
If you want to snap your fingers it's all right
Such a nice groove
For some nice folks
I want to tell you a story
About how I started out
I believe the year was 1976
When I decided to leave my home you see
It was time for me to go out into the world and to seek my fortune
I had a choice
I could either be starved and be cold
And move to the east
Or starve and be hot
So hot you see and move to the west
I picked LA
I wanna share with you the first five chapters of my life

Chapter One

I was walking down the street
With my head held high and my pockets filled with dreams
And I fell into a hole
I said to myself who put that hole there
Whoever put it there sure is mean
So I picked myself up out of the hole
Dusted myself off and went on my merry way

Chapter Two

I was walking down the same street
Feeling good
And I fell into a hole
I said to myself who put this hole there
Whoever put it there sure is mean
So I climbed up out of the hole and I dusted myself off went on my way
And remember thinking not everybody loves you like your mother

Chapter Three

I was walking down the same street
When I fell, oh yes I fell I tumbled hard this time
Down the same hole
I said to myself
I know this hole
I've been here before and I don't want to come back no more
So I picked myself up out of the hole
Dusted myself off
Said hole you ain't gonna get me no more

Well... Chapter 4

I was walking down the same street
I like to flurt with danger
That's my nature
But this time I saw the hole and I jumped over the hole
I said hole you won't get me no more
I kicked some dirt into the hole
Well now
That I learned how to live
I'm living what I learned

So I'm in chapter five right here right now
And I'm walking down a new street
Feelin' healthy
feelin' fine
feelin' prosperous oh the whole the world is mine
I take my time

do as I Please
Please when I want to
It sure feels good
They say life begins after that number and it sure does

Yesterday Yesterday Yesterdays
I love Yesterdays
Yesterdays
Now I'm thinking about today