Frank Hayes, Never Set the Cat On Fire

Never set the cat on fire; you only will annoy it
The heat will make the beast perspire; she surely won't enjoy it
Likewise do not ignite the dog
The snake, the gerbil, or the frog
No, never set the cat on fire

And mind your manners, as circumstances may require And never set the cat on fire

(Don't...don't. Just don't.)

Don't open up the cabin hatch; the air is sure to leave it And air is very hard to catch; you never will retrieve it And though you think your life's a bore, Don't open the reactor door Don't open up the cabin hatch

And mind your manners, as circumstances may require And never set the cat on fire

Don't change the navigator's data; someone's sure to see ya You know the captain's view of that: a very bad idea He doesn't want his ship to race Forever lost in endless space Don't change the navigator's data

And mind your manners, as circumstances may require And never set the cat on fire

Don't start an interstellar war; it has no helpful uses
As people ask you 'what's it for?', you'll only make excuses
If thirty trillion folks get hurt,
You'll go to bed with no dessert!
Don't start an interstellar war

And mind your manners, as circumstances may require And never set the cat on fire And mind your manners, as circumstances may require...(big finish now) And never set the cat on fire!