

Jonah

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Jonah was a sailing man, he sailed the seven seas
Shipped out from New Bedford in 1883
Sailed the ocean water in flat calm and in gale
Searched the ocean over, he was looking for the whale

CHORUS:

He was looking for the whale that swallowed him so long ago,
The whale that swallowed Jonah, and saved him from below
Take a look at Jonah's gratitude, take a lesson from the tale
Seems that Jonah's turned around and swallowed up the whale

Jonah was a sailing man, he sailed the bounding main
Shipped out of old Glasgow in 1928
Drove his steel-clad vessel with an iron-pistoned sail
Shot harpoons like bullets, he was looking for the whale

CHORUS

Now Jonah is a sailing man, he sails the ocean blue
He's shipping out of Norway, he's sailing from Peru
His quarry can't escape him now, his mission cannot fail
Down to the last Leviathan, he's hunting for the whale

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