

Cats In The Cradle - Cat Stevens

E G
 A child arrived just the other day
 A E
 Came to the world in the usual way
 E G
 There were planes to catch, bills to pay
 A E
 He learned to walk while I was away
 D
 He was talking 'fore I knew it and when he could, he said
 G E
 "I'm gonna be like you, dad,
 G E
 You know I'm gonna be like you"

E G
The cats in the cradle and the silver spoon
D A
Little boy blue and a man on the moon
E G
When you comin' home son, I don't know when
D E
We'll get together then,
G E
You know we'll have a good time then

E G
My son turned ten just the other day
A E
He said "Thanks for the ball dad, come on, let's play
E G
Could you teach me to throw?", I said "Not today
A E
I got a lot to do", he said "That's OK"
D G
He walked away with a smile on his face, he said
E
"I'm gonna be like him, yeah,
G E
you know I'm gonna be like him"

E G
The cats in the cradle and the silver spoon
D A
Little boy blue and a man on the moon
E G
When you comin' home son, I don't know when
D E
We'll get together then,

G E
You know we'll have a good time then

E G
Well he came from college just the other day

A E
So much like a man I just have to say

E G
I'm proud of you, could you sit for a while

A E
He shook his head and he said with a smile

D
What I'm feeling like, dad, is to borrow the car keys

G E
see you later, can I have them please

E G
The cats in the cradle and the silver spoon

D A
Little boy blue and a man on the moon

E G
When you comin' home son, I don't know when

D E
We'll get together then,

G E
You know we'll have a good time then

E G
I've long since retired, my son moved away

A E
I called him up just the other day

E G
I'd like to see you, if you don't mind

A E
He said: I'd love to, dad, if I could find the time.

D
You see, my new job's hassle and the kids got the flu,

G E
but it's sure nice talking to you dad,

G E
it was sure nice talking to you.

D
And as I hung up the phone it occurred to me

G E
He'd grown up just like me

G E
My boy was just like me!