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Monkey and the Engineer

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G C G

Once upon a time there was an engineer

G A D

Drove a locomotive both far and near

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Accompanied by a monkey who would sit on a stool

G A D

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Watchin' everything the engineer would move

One day the engineer wanted a bite to eat

Left the monkey sittin' on the driver's seat

The monkey pulled the draw, the locomotive jumped the gun

And did ninety miles an hour down the main line run

G C G

Big locomotive, right on time

G A D

Big locomotive, comin' down the line

G C

Big locomotive, number ninety-nine

G A D G

Left the engineer with a worried mind

The engineer called up the dispatcher on the phone

Tell him all about his locomotive was gone

Get on the wire, switch operator to write

'Cause the monkey's got the main line sewn up tight

Switch operator got the message in time

Said, "There's a north bound livin' on the same main line

Open up the switch, I'm gonna let him through the hole

'Cause the monkey's got the locomotive under control!"

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