**Betty the Badger**
**by Ralph McTell**

**Bernard, Bertha and Billy are badgers**
**And they sleep under ground all day**
**And when it gets dark the mum wakes them up**
**And they all go out and play**

**If it's one thing that all baby badgers love**
**It's to get their little paws upon some honey**
**But for goodness sake, oh the mess they make**
**Their mums don't find it very funny**
**Sticky on their paws, sticky on the walls**
**Sticky on the floor, sticky on the door**
**Mrs Betty Badger, she wasn't very pleased**
**But badgers will be badgers and bees will be bees.**

**"Well," said Betty, "I'm off to see the Queen**
**And I think that you've all been very silly**
**And I don't know what she'll say**
**When I tell her where you've been**
**My little Bernard, Bertha and Billy."**

**But the Queen let them off with a buzzy, busy smile**
**And she said that the bees would share the blame**
**So they all went home and were good for a while**
**I bet they'd all do it again.**

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