**Buddy Holley (1936-1959)   
Movie: “The Buddy Holley Story”**<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_wV_4ybv2CM> (7:04) not whole movie

# The Real Buddy Holly Story 1 of 10 Part 1 (8:04)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kSDMRjBjKIg> gets good w/McCartney at 3:00

1958 – In concert in London, 1958 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7yplfA_rCW4>

Everyday <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KduJS8y48jc>

Karaoke - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t2QODf1NNwY  
“It’s So Easy” <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GERG1RCCjfg>  
Karaoke (real) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hCcD1_NILUQ>

From listening to their records, people could not tell if the Crickets, the name of Buddy's band, were white or [black singers](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/African-American_music). Holly sometimes played with [black](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Black_people) musicians [Little Richard](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Little_Richard) and [Chuck Berry](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chuck_Berry), and incorporated the [Bo Diddley beat](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bo_Diddley_beat) in several songs. The Crickets were only the second white rock group to tour Great Britain.

People watched Holley’s British television appearance on [*Sunday Night at the London Palladium*](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sunday_Night_at_the_London_Palladium). [Ian Whitcomb](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ian_Whitcomb) once said "Buddy Holly and the Crickets had the most influence on the Beatles." Lennon and McCartney later cited Holly as a primary influence. (Their bug-themed band's name, [the Beatles](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Beatles), was chosen partly in homage to Holly's Crickets.)

Paul McCartney owns the [publishing rights](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Music_publisher_(popular_music)) to Holly's song catalogue, of which there are more than 400 songs.

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| **"Everyday"**  Everyday it's a-gettin' closer Goin' faster than a rollercoaster Love like yours will surely come my way A-hey, a-hey-hey  Everyday it's a-gettin' faster Everyone said, "Go ahead and ask her" Love like yours will surely come my way A-hey, a-hey-hey  Everyday seems a little longer Every way love's a little stronger Come what may Do you ever long for true love from me  Everyday it's a-gettin' closer Goin' faster than a rollercoaster Love like yours will surely come my way A-hey, a-hey-hey  Everyday seems a little longer Every way love's a little stronger Come what may Do you ever long for true love from me  Everyday it's a-gettin' closer Goin' faster than a rollercoaster Love like yours will surely come my way A-hey, a-hey-hey Love like yours will surely come my way | rollercoaster=    long for=phrasal verb, to want s.o. or s.t. a lot  true love=idioms, love that is real and lasting, not superficial and for a short time |
| **"It's So Easy"**  It's so easy to fall in love. It's so easy to fall in love.  People tell me love's for fools So here I go breaking all of the rules Well it's so easy, so dog-on easy Well it's so easy Where you're concerned my heart's concerned.  It's so easy to fall in love. 4X It's so easy to fall in love.  Look into your heart to see What your love book has set apart for me Well it's so easy, so dog-on easy Well it's so easy Where you're concerned my heart's concerned.  It's so easy to fall in love. It's so easy to fall in love... | fools=people who are not smart, or people who do things without thinking  dog-on=slang used in place of the swear world ‘damn’ |
| All lyrics are from: <http://www.azlyrics.com/lyrics/waylonjennings/itssoeasy.html> | |

**Jerry Lee Lewis (1935-)** Interview: (25:47) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ccKNu5QHuzY> **Movie: 1989 “Great Balls of Fire”**<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZD8YPY8RBQc>

Karaoke: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-PI2ESad4b8>

First Hit “Whole Lotta Shakin’ Going On” <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8yRdDnrB5kM>  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xraIf_cYRQE>   
Karaoke: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ojbd1jFDJBw>

In 1957, Jerry Lee Lewis’s “Great Balls of Fire” was ranked as the [96th greatest song ever](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_500_Greatest_Songs_of_All_Time) by [*Rolling Stone*](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rolling_Stone).

The song title comes from a [Southern](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/U.S._South) expression, which some people consider [blasphemous](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Blasphemy), that refers to the [Holy Spirit](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Holy_Spirit) manifested as "*cloven tongues as of fire*". Others say it’s slang from a comic stip.

Jerry Lee Lewis was from a strict Christian background who struggled to reconcile his religious beliefs with the moral implications of the music he created. In between takes on “Great Balls of Fire”, he argued with Sam Phillips that the song was too sinful for him to record. As the two talked loudly over each other, Phillips pleaded with Lewis to believe that his music could actually be a force for moral good.

Phillips: "You can save souls!"   
Lewis: "No, no, no, no!"  
Phillips: "YES!"  
Lewis: "How can the devil save souls?...I got the *devil*in me!  
  
His moral struggles continued throughout his career but never recover from the 1958 disclosure of his marriage to a 13-year-old cousin. At the peak of his powers following "Great Balls Of Fire," however, he was a figure as magnetic as any in rock-and-roll history. As the producer Don Dixon would later say in an NPR interview, "Little Richard was fun, Elvis was cool, but Jerry Lee Lewis was *frightening*." [http://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/jerry-lee-lewis-records-quotgreat-balls-of-firequot-in-mempis-tennessee](http://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/jerry-lee-lewis-records-quotgreat-balls-of-firequot-in-memphis-tennessee)

His album [*Live at the Star Club, Hamburg*](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Live_at_the_Star_Club,_Hamburg) from 1964 is often regarded by many music journalists and fans as one of the wildest and greatest rock and roll concert albums ever.  
  
Lewis has had a dozen gold records in both rock and country, won several Grammy awards, including a Lifetime Achievement Award. Lewis was inducted into the [Rock and Roll Hall of Fame](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rock_and_Roll_Hall_of_Fame) in 1986. In 1989, his life was chronicled in the movie [*Great Balls of Fire*](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Great_Balls_of_Fire!_(film)), starring Dennis Quaid. In 2003, [*Rolling Stone*](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rolling_Stone) listed his box set [*All Killer, No Filler: The Anthology*](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/All_Killer,_No_Filler:_The_Anthology) number 242 on their list of "[500 Greatest Albums of All Time](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rolling_Stone%27s_500_Greatest_Albums_of_All_Time)". He made an album, [*Class of '55*](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Class_of_%2755)  which also included [Johnny Cash](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Johnny_Cash), [Carl Perkins](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Carl_Perkins), [Roy Orbison](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Roy_Orbison) and [Elvis Presley](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Elvis_Presley).

***50 Best Songs of 2014***  
<http://www.rollingstone.com/music/lists/50-best-songs-of-2014-20141203/counting-crows-dislocation-20141202>

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| **"Great Balls Of Fire"**  You shake my nerves and you rattle my brain Too much love drives a man insane You broke my will, oh what a thrill Goodness gracious great balls of fire  I learned to love all of Hollywood money You came along and you moved me honey I changed my mind, looking fine Goodness gracious great balls of fire  You kissed me baby, woo, it feels good Hold me baby, I wanna love you like a lover should You're fine, so kind I'm gonna tell this world that your mine mine mine mine  I chew my nails and I twiddle my thumbs I'm really nervous but it sure is fun Come on baby, you drive me crazy Goodness gracious great balls of fire  Well kiss me baby, woo-oooooo, it feels good, Hold me baby I want to love you like a lover should You're fine, so kind I gonna this world that your mine mine mine mine  I chew my nails and I twiddle my thumbs (repeat above verse) | *Great balls of fire* = expression of surprise used in a comic strip started in 1919  fine **/** you’re fine = slang compliment to a woman, saying she is ‘fine’ (beautiful, wonderful, etc.)  twiddle my thumbs = to have your hands together and to use your two thumbs to make circles – children were often told to do this when with adults; s.t. to do while waiting (passing the time)  goodness gracious = slang term of surprise or shock to avoid using swear words with God’s name |
| **"Whole Lotta Shakin' Goin On"**  Come along my baby, whole lotta shakin' goin' on Yes, I said come along my baby, baby you can't go wrong We ain't fakin', whole lotta shakin' goin' on  Well, I said come along my baby, we got chicken in the barn Woo-huh, come along my baby, really got the bull by the horn We ain't fakin', whole lotta shakin' goin' on  Well, I said shake, baby, shake 4x Come on over, whole lotta shakin' goin' on Oh, let's go! / Alright  Well, I said come along my baby, we got chicken in the barn Whose barn? What barn? My barn Come along my baby, really got the bull by the horn We ain't fakin', whole lotta shakin' goin' on  Easy now / Shake it Ah, shake it, baby / Yeah You can shake it one time for me Ye-ah-ha-ah, I said come on over, baby Whole lotta shakin' goin' on Now, let's get down real low one time now Shake, baby, shake All you gotta do, honey, is kinda stand in one spot Wiggle around just a little bit, that's when you got it, yeah Come on baby, whole lotta shakin' goin' on Now let's go one time  Shake it baby, shake, shake it baby, shake Woo, shake baby, come on babe, shake it, baby, shake Come on over, whole lotta shakin' goin' on | lotta = lot of  fakin’ = faking = pretending, not true  bull by the horn = idiom, to face a problem and deal with it (solve it) openly <http://idioms.thefreedictionary.com/take+the+bull+by+the+horns> |