

JUST CHECKING IN

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1. With so many left in doubt,
even those endowed with seeming clout,
and from the rather pale
to the frail and the gainly stout
So many left, but in their haste
they forgot to check out !
"Please don't mind me, I was just chekin' in."
There's no need to go to Reno
to try out the top casino —
the whole world's become a giant gambling hall !
Win, lose or draw your all and all,
just smile and fain, it's a ball !
"Come place your bets, hey !
— there's another lucky win !"

REFRAIN: Livin', dyin' !
Givin', tryin' !
Just don't ever let them see
you're really cryin' . . .
On your inside — your really sin side
Could we try this all again
and chicken-out in checkin' out
as they shout, "I was (really) just checkin' in."

2. Take the hammer in your hand
and ram her into the grand stand
of politicians' endless missions
ruining our air and land.
You wind up in the slammer,
your whole world just got canned
contemplating checking out while just checking in.
That's where you find the real deal
is just this endless spinning wheel
of up and down emotions
that sometime you think you sometime feel,
but either way it's got to be okay,
cause that's the only way
you'll ever get to payday — and hope to win.

[REPEAT REFRAIN]
[INSTRUMENTAL OF BRIDGE]

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3. Hey conductor, engineer,
you say there's nothing up ahead to fear
Yet peering through the darkness now
I see that nothing's clear.
But I'm too busy checkin' out
what the lady's all about —
who's just checkin' in . . .

**[INSTRUMENTAL OF REMAINDER OF VERSE SECTION,
AND FADE IN REFRIAN, OVERLAPPED, TO FADEOUT]**

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