



At the Crack of Dawn
Music and Lyrics by Aline Shader (1973)

All at once at the crack of dawn
I awoke with such a start.
Echoing was a steady beat
Of the pounding in my heart.

All at once I was wide awake
With a need to exclaim and rejoice,
And I discovered the music
Of my voice.

All at once at the crack of dawn
In a moment it began.
Taking in all the gifts of life
In an undirected plan.

There I was to be seen and heard
In the glorious light of the day,
And time would tell the importance
That would play.

Reaching out I could touch the air
And the space all around was free,
And I must have thought at the center of it all,
At the center of it all was me.

Now once again at the crack of dawn
As the sun begins to rise.
Once again as the fog appears,
I begin to realize.

Something else will be fresh and new
As the mist of the moon disappears.
For every day is the first day
Of the rest of our years.