

# House of the Rising Sun

*Traditional, performed by The Animals*

**All:** There is a house in New Orleans  
They call the Rising Sun  
And it's been the ruin of many a poor boy  
Dear God, I know I was one

**Men:** My mother was a tailor  
She sewed my new blue jeans  
And my father was a gamblin' man  
Way down in New Orleans

**Women:** And the only thing a gambler needs  
Is a suitcase and a trunk  
And the only time he's satisfied  
Is when he's a drunk

**Men:** Oh, mother, tell your children  
Not to do what I have done  
To spend your lives in sin and misery  
In the house of the rising sun

**All:** I got one foot on the platform  
And another on the train  
And I'm going back to New Orleans  
To wear that ball and chain

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