

DAN ZANES AND FRIENDS SONGBAG

WATER FOR THE ELEPHANTS

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Circus came to town and to the
circus I went
Didn't have a ticket,
didn't have a cent
The circus man said
to see the show without a cent

B7

You've got to carry water

E

for the elephants

So I carried water for the elephants
Back and forth to the well I went
My feet got sore and my back
got bent
But I couldn't fill up the elephants

I said to the man with
the standing up collar
I said bet 2 bits
the elephants are hollow
Circus man said well first you'll see
The animals in the menagerie

E

First saw the lion
and the lion he roared (roar)
Saw the wild duck
and the wild duck quacked (quack)
Saw the wild cat
and the wild cat meowed (meow)
Saw the old crow
and the old crow cawed (caw)

Saw Mister Possum sitting on a limb
Big blackbear sitting next to him

A

Saw the old monkey like in a zoo

B7

E

Wild rooster said cock-a-doodle-doo

E

Saw the hippopotamus splash
in the water

Trying to flirt

with the crocodile's daughter

A

Saw the giraffe and a big kangaroo

B7

E

Wise old owl hollered hoo hoo hoo

E

Saw the wild birds
and the birds sang sweet (tweet)

Saw the wild dogs

and the wild dogs barked (bark)

Saw the coo-coo

the coo-coo cooed (coo-coo)

Saw the hyena

and the hyena laughed (ha ha ha)

E

I went down to the circus tent

Sure am doggone glad I went

A

Saw the whole show it didn't cost a cent

B7

Because I carried water

E

for the elephants

*Traditional Arranged by Dan Zanes; Sister Barbara Music ASCAP