

# Shel Silverstein, Thumbsucker

Yeah yeah now this song is a warning yes folks a warnin' against the danger  
A very very economy a social fibre mortal turpitude haha national security  
And friends the danger is not it is not the long hairs  
And it is not the warmongers all the squares all the truckusers all the fuss  
Friends the danger the real danger is thumbsuckers  
Yes you heard me my friends I think thumbsucker  
And every time every time you make a peace sign with your fingers  
And every time you push a door bell  
And every time you're on highway stick your thumb  
There's always there in the shadows some dirty sneaky thumbsucker  
Who will leap out upon you grab your wrist  
And start to suck your thumb drainin' all your natural thumbjuices  
And leavin' you hopeless heartless a shakin' quiverin' crawlin' slaverin'  
Thumbsuckin' addict for the rest of your unusual life

That's why I ain't gonna let no thumbsucker suck my thumb  
It'll drive you crazy and leave you deaf and dumb  
It'll make you crawl and climb the wall and leave you without no thumb at all  
I ain't gonna let no thumbsucker suck my thumb

Met her on a corner in Deluth and that's truth  
She was tryin' to fix her shoe in a telephone booth her name was Ruth  
She said she was just waiting for a bus  
But I hid my thumb cause I knew just what she was  
Uhh I ain't gonna let no...  
[ piano - guitar ]  
I'll tell you what them thumbsuckers like to do  
They suck your thumb till it's wrinkled like a prune  
They'll say you've got the sweetest thumb of all they say  
But then they suck the thumb of the guy livin' down the hall  
That's why I ain't gonna let no...  
Suck my thumb suck my thumb suck my thumb suck my thumb