

# FIREBALL

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Fourteen billion years ago a primal flaring-forth occurred  
From primordial universe a billion galaxies emerged  
Then Hydrogen and Helium, the elements of dawn  
Finally Carbon and heavier elements began to form

## *CHORUS:*

I come from a fireball, grandest fireworks of all  
Every element in me is stardust in the Galaxy  
I come from a fireball  
I come from a fireball started from a part so small  
Just a singularity, the rest, they say, is history  
I come from a fire ball

Fourteen billion years of light and still we stumble in the dark  
From the quantum vacuum into roses and a human heart  
Cosmic history unfolds, round and round and round it goes  
Expanding wider, wider still and where it stops, nobody knows

## *REPEAT CHORUS*

Only five billion years ago our sun was born  
Only billions more til it burns down and out!

Fourteen billion years of wonder, still we marvel at the show  
Through our history we wander, thinking there's no place else to go  
Tiamat, Prospero, Kronos, Argos, Capaneum  
No one has seen it all before, we are the first generation!

## *REPEAT CHORUS*