

## **Crazy For Canals**

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1.

God bless the Duke of Bridgewater who first had the idea  
And god bless Joseph Brindley, the famous engineer  
They built a navigation and they started something grand  
Now waterways are fast appearing all across the land

*Come all you men of trade  
Tell all your merchant pals  
Be not afraid, your fortune's made  
We're crazy for canals*

2.

Your carter does the best he can when he's out on the road  
Your packhorse is an honest beast and totes a heavy load  
But when it rains and all the lanes are axle deep in clay  
Your boatman laughs and say goodbye and carries on his way

*Come all you men of trade...*

3.

The bold investor will be paid with great prosperity  
And every town and village will be keen to join the spree  
Survey the land, draw up your plans and set the navvies to  
Embankments, locks and flights and docks will soon improve the view

*Come all you men of trade...*

4.

For twenty years the boats and butties travelled past our door  
Bringing trade to Moreton that we never had before  
But now the navigation is little more than a drain  
The waterways have had their day and everything goes by train

*Come all you men of trade...*