

In The Pines

USA

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1. "Black girl, black girl, don't lie to me, tell me
where did you sleep last night?"
"I
slept in the pines where the sun nev - er shines, and I
shiv - ered the whole night long."

2. "My husband was a railroad man,
was the best in this high lonesome world.
The only thing that he did that was wrong,
was to miss just a one little curve."
3. "My husband was a railroad man,
killed a mile and a half from town.
His head was found in an engine wheel,
but his body could never be found."
4. "Black girl, black girl, tell me, where will you go?"
"I'm gonna go where the cold winds blow.
I'm gonna weep, gonna cry, gonna moan, gonna sigh,
gonna dance in my good-time clothes."
5. "Black girl, black girl, don't lie to me,
tell me, where did you sleep last night?"
"I slept in the pines where the sun never shines,
and I shivered the whole night long."