

The weight (arr. The Band, 1968)

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I am a lonely **polar bear**, roaming the frozen land. But my home is disappearing, it's getting out of hand. The weight of the world, it's bearing down on me. I need your help, so please preserve a little space for me.

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Take a load off ice bears, take a load for free.

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Take a load off mammals, and (and) (and) put the load right on me.

I am a majestic, peaceful **elephant**. But my tusks are my curse, in cruel poachers' hands. The weight of the world, it's crushing me so hard. I need your help, to protect my backyard.

Take a load off elephants, take a load for free.

Take a load off vertebrates, and (and) (and) put the load right on me.

I am a little **hamster**, living in the fields. But my home is disappearing, it's a terrible ordeal. The weight of the world, it's crushing me with fear. I need your help, to keep my habitat clear.

Take a load off hamsters, take a load for free.

Take a load off rodents, and (and) (and) put the load right on me.

I am a **little owl**, flying through the orchard trees. But my home is disappearing, it's bringing me to my knees. The weight of the world, it's heavy on my heart. I need your help, to keep my home falling apart.

Take a load off owls, take a load for free.

Take a load off birds, and (and) (and) put the load right on me.

I am a busy **bee**, buzzing through the flower sea. But my world is disappearing, it's been happening for years. The weight of the world, it's burdening my wings. I need your help, are you aware you depend on me?

Take a load off bees, take a load for free.

Take a load off insects, and (and) (and) put the load right on me.

Bridge: We're losing our homes; our lives are in great danger. But with your help, we can turn the tide in our favor. We're not just animals, we're part of the Earth. We need your help, to preserve our worth.

Take a load off animals, take a load for free.

Take a load off creatures, and (and) (and) put the load right on me.