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THE LYRIC OF A POPULAR BEATLES' SONG

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Why does Eleanor Rigby pick up nice? And what is in the jar that she keeps by the door? Why is there no-one at her funeral? And what is the relationship, if any, between her and Father McKenzie? These and other puzzles raised by the enigmatic lyrics to this famous Beatles' song are explored at depth in this intriguing analysis, which also discusses the reasons for the song's remarkable success. In an informed and detailed examination of every phrase in the lyric, the author reveals how the skilful use of words creates a striking and powerful narrative, while also commenting on its relationship to the lyrics of other Beatles' songs,

as well as its importance in the **Beatles'** development from jobbing song-writers to sophisticated artists.



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