

# You'll Never Go Back

—Harriet Connor, Love Lanes Legends 2026

## Chorus

You'll never go back to the big smoke;  
Perhaps just to visit one day.  
You'll never get back on that well-trodden track,  
Once you've gone and moved away.

**1.** When I go down to that big, crowded town, I'm no-one to nobody there.  
But when I get home, I can't walk down the road  
Without somebody calling my name—and saying 'G'day'.

## Chorus

**2.** A life at city pace just turns into a race from Monday to Monday again;  
But up round these parts, our weeks have slower starts;  
People linger to tell you their story—and listen to yours.

## Chorus 2

One day I went back to the big smoke.  
My Grandma was starting to fade.  
Together we sat and we started to chat  
About life since I'd moved away.

**3.** When I talked of my town, Grandma said "Blow me down.  
Well that sounds like a place I once knew;  
In this city's old days, folks they had slower ways;  
Neighbours gathered through life's ups and downs—just like in your town."

## Chorus 3

Well the clock can't turn back for the big smoke  
It grows bigger and faster each day.  
But you can keep alive that old 'little town life':  
Live your days in a neighbourly way.