

# The News

## (Jack Johnson)

A billion people \_\_\_\_\_ on the news tonight  
But not so many \_\_\_\_\_ at the terrible sight  
Well mama said  
It's just make believe  
You can't \_\_\_\_\_ everything you see  
So baby \_\_\_\_\_ your eyes to the lullabies  
On the news tonight

Who's the one to \_\_\_\_\_ that it would be alright  
To put the music behind the news tonight  
Well mama said  
You can't \_\_\_\_\_ everything you hear  
The diagetic world is so unclear  
So baby \_\_\_\_\_ your ears  
On the news tonight  
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The unobtrusive tones on the news tonight  
And mama said  
Mmm

Why don't the newscasters \_\_\_\_\_ when they read about people who  
\_\_\_\_\_  
At least they could be decent enough to \_\_\_\_\_ just a tear in their eyes  
Mama said  
It's just make believe  
You can't \_\_\_\_\_ everything you see  
So baby \_\_\_\_\_ your eyes to the lullabies  
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### Let's discuss

1. What's the message of the song?
2. What does the lyricist mean when he/she says that "it's just make believe"? Can you give examples?
3. Why can't you believe everything you read or listen to on the news?
4. Why does the lyricist question the newscasters who don't cry about people who die?
5. Why should you *close your eyes and ears to the lullabies on the news*?