

## Major Tom (Coming Home) by Peter Shilling

Standing there alone
The ship is waiting
All systems are go
Are you sure?
Control is not convinced
But the computer
Has the evidence
No need to abort
The countdown starts

Watching in a trance
The crew is certain
Nothing left to chance
All is working
Trying to relax
Up in the capsule
Send me up a drink
Jokes Major Tom
The count goes on

Four, three, two, one! Earth below us Drifting, falling Floating weightless Calling, calling home Second stage is cut
We're now in orbit
Stabilizers up
Runnning perfect
Starting to collect
Requested data
What will it affect
When all is done?
Thinks Major Tom

Back at ground control
There is a problem
Go to rockets full
Not responding
Hello Major Tom
Are you receiving?
Turn the thrusters on
We're standing by
There's no reply

Four, three, two, one! Earth below us Drifting, falling Floating weightless Calling, calling home Across the stratosphere
A final message
Give my wife my love
Then nothing more

Far beneath the ship
The world is mourning
They don't realize
He's alive
No one understands
But Major Tom sees
Now the light commands
This is my home
I'm coming home

Earth below us Drifting, falling Floating weightless Coming home

Earth below us
Drifting, falling
Floating weightless
Coming, coming home
Home!
Home!