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The Mustang

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With your hand you turned me loose,
Left me on my own,
When you had no more of use
For my flesh and bone.

Set your post and string your wire
Write your rules and laws.
Fences can't hold a prairie fire,
Words can't hold at all.

Open ranges, grass, and sky,
God made for the free.
Freedom runs or freedom dies;
Freedom runs with me.

I must run, I cannot rest,
Wild as the wind and as free.
I am the mustang, I am the West,
What will you do with me?
What will you do with me?



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