

The Closer to the Bone

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**Closest to the bone
Sweeter is the meat
Last slice of
Virginia ham
Is the best that you
can eat**

**Don't talk about my
baby
She's slender but
she's sweet
Closest to the bone
And sweeter is the
meat**

**Now she'd make a
good thermometer
If she drank a glass
of wine
She's built just like
a garter snake
She climbs up like a
vine**

**My friends tell me
I'm a fool
To love a girl like
that
Here's the reason I
like 'em slim
Instead of big and
fat**

**'Cause closest to the
bone
Sweeter is the meat
Last slice of
Virginia ham
Is the best that you
can eat**

**Now don't talk
about my baby
She's slender but
she's sweet
Umm, closest to the**

**bone
And sweeter is the
meat**

Let's go

**Yeah, let's go, yeah,
boy**

Attaboy

**One more, one
more**

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more**

Yeah, boy

**In the moonlight
Yeah, closest to the
bone, yeah**

Ahh, look out now

**Now she'd make a
first class fountain
pen**

**If she only knew
how to write**

**Her figure's like a
piece of string**

**Umm, she rolls up
every night**

**Everybody thinks
that I'm a nut**

**To love this lovely
worm**

**Boy there's one
reason I like 'em
slim**

**Instead of round
and firm**

**'Cause closest to the
bone**

**Sweeter is the meat
Last slice of**

Virginia ham

**Is the best that you
can eat**

**Now don'cha talk
about my baby
She's slender but
she's sweet, umm
Closest to the bone
Umm, sweet, I got
another one now
Listen here**

**Umm, she'd make a
fine piccolo
If she only stayed
on key
Boy, she's shaped
like a rubber band
And she loves to
snap at me**

**Everybody thinks
I'm insane
To overlook her
faults**

**But here's the
reason I like 'em
skinny
Instead of full of
schmaltz**

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bone
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