

1964:

See Hunter Davies, *The Beatles*, with a new introduction, New York: Norton, 2009 and Tim Riley, *Tell Me Why: A Beatles Commentary*, New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1988.

US tours: February and August (15,000 miles)

Filming of *A Hard Day's Night*

Recording *A Hard Day's Night* album

Concerts in Britain

Three-week vacation with wives and girlfriends in May

June: Jimmy Nicol replaces Ringo (ill) on tour of Denmark, the Netherlands, Hong Kong, Australia, and New Zealand

Studio time, live performances, TV in Britain

"I Feel Fine"/"She's a Woman" single released Nov 27

-first feedback ever recorded, according to John

Beatles for Sale

Released December 4, 1964

Influences from American country music, rockabilly, and R&B

Side A

"No Reply"

"I'm a Loser"

"Baby's in Black"

"Rock and Roll Music"

"I'll Follow the Sun"

"Mr. Moonlight"

"Kansas City/Hey-Hey-Hey"

Side B

"Eight Days a Week"

"Words of Love" (Holly) Paul harmonizes above John's breathy sound

"Honey Don't" (Perkins) Ringo sings lead – more refined than original, medium tempo

"Every Little Thing" melody contrasts with text ("Yes, I know I'm a lucky guy"),
irregular phrasing within 2 bar units

"I Don't Want to Spoil the Party"

Bridge lightens the song (Paul upper harmony + pattern change in acoustic
rhythm guitar)

"What You're Doing" – brighter, pop sound with 12-string + acoustic guitars and the lack
of seventh chords

piano added for guitar solo

change-up in drums at fade out

"Everybody's Trying to Be my Baby" (Perkins) George sings lead

--"Ill-paced fiasco" (Tim Riley, *Tell Me Why*, p. 119)

“Mr. Moonlight”

cover of 1962 B side by Dr. Feelgood and the Interns

straight singing versus Lennon’s vocal attacks and passionate solo lines

melodically limited

comic moments: Ringo’s tom-tom the organ solo arranged vocal fadeout

“Honey Don’t”

Ringo - second cover of Carl Perkins “Matchbox” from

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