

Plucky ducks, all at sea

Tightly packed and bound for America
Squeezed together in a big, big box
Eager for the journey
and the destination
On the shelves of novelty shops

Tightly packed and on a container ship
Wind starts to howl and rain starts to pour
Feeling kind of queasy
Rocking and a-rolling
Really can't wait to get to shore

Tightly packed but sliding down the aft deck
Drops in water and the box it breaks
Hither and thither we
tumble in the waves now
Tossing and turning, ducks and drakes

Not tightly packed but loose and separate
Now spread asunder and all at sea
Plastic yellow ducks lost
on a wide, wide ocean
Looking out for sanctuary.

Guess what we've seen on our long, long journey?
Fish and dolphins dancing in the foam
Turtles and jellyfish
Sharks, whales and sailing boats
Wondering now if we'll ever find home

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