

# Thirty-five years ago!

*(For Terry's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday party)*

In Africa we met  
Tarzan meeting Jane  
The future was soon set  
A few months down the lane

We would teach the morning  
Monday to Saturday  
In English you would sing  
Science deserved my pay

It was hot and humid  
The yard was full of dust  
Regardless what you did  
You got covered with dirt

We would get home early  
And take a nice shower  
Shivering but happy  
Under the cold water

The boy would serve our meal  
And then we had a nap  
We would play a great deal  
Or read, or work or chat

Alpha was our dog  
And Beta was the snake  
That I fed catching frog  
There were many to take

Watching the setting sun  
With John I would play chess  
You would work some lesson  
Or fix up a new dress

Then was time for pastis  
With other teaching staff  
Life would turn into bliss  
We knew how to laugh

Thanks to dear Albert  
We would eat like stars  
Sitting down for dinner  
Before gazing the stars

And so every day  
Waiting to get away  
At the next holiday  
We would return to school...

And life was so cool !