THE NATIONAL



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You're walking taller than you should
The air is thin around your beautiful head
You're saying things with your mouth to me
That I don't recognize
You're aware of yourself lately

Redefining yourself, designing yourself
You haven't looked at me forever
Got a diagram of your associations
A strategy
You're weighing your options
What would you trade me for?
You're measuring me lately
And I can tell, and I can tell
I'm losing weight
You're measuring me lately
You're dressing me

Do not tell me I've changed
You're just raising your standards
Do not give me away
I am the same, I am the same

Have you found him?
Have you told him everything?
Does he say he feels bad about all this?
You've shown tenderness for me
Tenderness for me
To him

Do not tell me I've changed
You're just raising your standards
Do not give me away
I am the same, I am the same

Bottle eyes glassy blue
I watch the rain come out of you
Sky is white with the flu
I'm terrified of losing you

If I go to the sea
I'll bring you down, down with me
If I go to the rain
You'll never see me again

You've got cold girl fever
You've got cold girl fever

I promised to leave if you ever went cold
And leave when I'm sleeping, you told me
Put your spine in your back and your arms in your coat
Don't hold on to me when there's nothing to hold

You've got cold girl fever
You've got cold girl fever

It's not what you said but that's what you meant
I'm losing my baby on promises kept
What are you for?
What are you for?
What are you for now that I have hardcore?
What are you for now that I have hardcore?

You've got cold girl fever
You've got cold girl fever

THE PERFECT SONG

Nine years older than I was
When I brought you down to see
What I thought would make you fall in love
Where an old canal would dream
"Someday, man, I'm gonna be no different than the other rivers"
I tried to look at you, but I couldn't break the ice
We stood out there for an hour, freezing
You put your hand around my back
I guess you thought I needed that

I never try to find you
I hope you don't remember me
And I hope you're not alone

You wanted me to take you home
You said you'd rather be alone
I never thought of that
The car was warm, and we had wine
But I couldn't find the perfect song
Now I own furniture, a 401, and crow's feet
And I can't even remember the car
Sometimes I can feel your weight when I close my eyes
Seven times I was under you

I never try to find you
I hope you don't remember me
And I hope you're not alone
And I don't wanna know what you're thinking
Looking out the window
Drinking, drinking, drinking, drinking, drinking

Shallow frame and shaky sticks
But I know there's a river in me
Shallow-minded adult tricks
But I know there's a river in me
Shallow frame and shaky sticks
But I know there's a river in me

I never try to find you
I hope you don't remember me
And I hope you're not alone
And I don't wanna know what you're thinking
Looking out the window
Sitting there, sitting there and just fucking drinking

Give my jewelry to the army
My silverware and jeans
Give my love to your family
Tell them anything

Give yourself to anyone
Give yourself away
Don't be a nightingale
For anyone's space to fill

If I could I'd be your star again
Fall across your falling sky

It takes a lot of little rain
To make you feel like nothing
Anything, anything you care to do
Do to me for everything I did for you
Nothing

I didn't try to take your love away
I just never knew I had it

There is nothing you can say
To ever make me want you American
There is nothing you can say
To ever make me leave you American

American Mary

If you kiss me, kiss me with your silver eyes
Don't look at me like someone you don't recognize
I didn't try to do this
Your arms around my shoulder blades are useless

There is nothing you can say
To ever make me want you American
There is nothing you can say
To ever make me leave you American
American Mary
American Mary

SON

And if you follow me, son
The wind'll wrap around you
Carry you from the ground
You will never be alone
Your weight will turn to sunlight
That's falling on a girl
Who's still inside the world
She's reading books from empty women
They're giving beauty tips from empty hips

And how is the water of the rain?
And how is the air of the wind?
And how are the arms of your mother?
She's holding you in

Watch them as they try to fly
Their kites inside their bedrooms
That were only built for drinking
Your thoughts, they never lasted long
When you were under the sky
Above it, you can hold a thought forever

And how is the water of the rain?
And how is the air of the wind?
And how are the arms of your mother?
She's holding you in

And how is the water of the rain?
And how is the air of the wind?
And how are the arms of your mother?
She's holding you in

She's holding you in
She's holding you in

Hey, hey, hey…

I thought I'd come and see you and your long and lazy scene
Given stage direction
Finger in a magazine
I call you what I knew you
I can't get used to your new name

Send a body double over with your keys
She'll see you in an hour
Everybody quiet please
Essex House is down the road
The actors want to be alone

Your room is still and soft
As a jeweler's
Incidental music coming down the hall
Remember when I never had to wait for you at all?
I wish my hands were yours, as I lay your keys on a magazine

Take me to LaGuardia
My baby's gonna pay for me

Bottle from the duty-free, I'll drink it all across the sea
Lay me down business class
With headphones and a sleeping mask
She's gonna pay for me
She's gonna pay for me

Brother, I wish you were home
Just tell me you're not alone
Call me back, I'm on a plane
I think I'm somewhere over Spain
I'm in the dark without the stars
I've never seen a black so dark
Thought I'd be above the rain
Somewhere on a higher plane

Oh brother, I wish you were home
My brother, I wish you were home

Baby, you're asleep by now
You never stayed awake for me
You never waited up for me
No, you never waited up for me
Now there is nothing I can do
I lost you but I beat the sound
Couldn't if I wanted to
The Concorde doesn't turn around

Oh brother, I wish you were home
My baby is in a room alone
My brother, I wish you were home

Sweetie, you don't look so good
Your bottom lip is bleeding
I cut it on your collarbone
Go on, go back to sleep
Sugar, who were you thinking of?
You woke me with your breathing
Honey, how am I supposed to tell?

If I were a spy in the world inside your head
Would I be your wife in a better life you led?

Thought I saw you on the stairs
Of this American century
I went up through all years
You were years ahead of me
Remember when you dipped your hand?
I never saw it coming
You took the wind out of me

If I were a spy in the world inside your head
Would I be your wife in a better life you led?

I'd do better than you do
I'd do better than you ever will
When I am on Bitters and Absolut

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I wanted to show you John's star
And lay down with you in strawberry fields
You said you're gonna lay down here, you're gonna lay down alone
I thought I told you I was ruined by the stones

I don't ever want you to come home again
I don't wanna hear your call, your voice in my room
I am divine and my arms are stronger than rivers
And when you feel that way, you want to feel that way again
Forever

Once ruined, baby, you stay ruined
Yeah, once ruined, baby, you stay ruined

Anything is beautiful and I blame you
I woke up in your sheets of rain
And everything you touch around here, you leave a stain

Once ruined, baby, you stay ruined
Yeah, once ruined, baby, you stay ruined

WATCHING YOU WELL

You were standing up, holdin' yourself
A little of the moon was coming in the room
You were standing there still
Like you were in the arms of everyone you ever wanted

I was watching you well

I don’t stop you, I don't speak
The water on your cheek is the only thing that's moving
I'm ashamed that I'm ashamed of you
Standing in my room, lest more water overtake you

And I was watching you, watching you well

Why won't you leave me quicker?
Why won't you leave me?

I'm ashamed that I'm ashamed of you
Standing in my room lest more water overtake you
I don't stop you
And I don't speak

Why won't you leave me quicker?
Why won't you leave me?

Where crybabies cry in the United States
Bright white on both sides like a play
Nobody listens and nobody should
That'd be a waste of attention
Not enough money to buy a PC
So I'll come in this weekend asleep on my feet
And if I forget you I'll have nobody left to forget
I guess that's what assholes get

I traded my daylight for a career

But I need you to disprove
My theory of the crows

Pouring my fingers across the keys
Will someone review my salary, please?
I'm selling my time to the man who sells style
That time should be mine to waste on you
I'll suck off investors, I'll suck off VCs
I'm losing my posture from time on my knees
They treat me so well ‘cause I'll do anything
It's in the nature of service

But I'll need you to disprove
My theory of the crows

Kids of the wealthy are raised by the poor
You send daughters to Los Angeles and New York
I need mine to see me when I wake up
I need mine to know that I'm what they come to
That I'm what they come to
That I'm what they come to
That I'm what they come to
When they come home

29 YEARS

Could you tell the enchantment I said goodbye?
I met a girl named disillusionment
Could you tell her I made the headlines?
Says, “Boy draws wings on everything"
Could you tell her to check the headlines?
Says, “Boy finds angels in the river"

You know I dreamed about you
For 29 years before I saw you
You know I dreamed about you
I missed you for 29 years

Birds are flying out of order underneath the sky
I run up to the rainbow girl just to pass her by
And I'll never have a change of heart
My swan will never sing
I have no heart, the swan is gone
And now I wear the wings

You know I dreamed about you
For 29 years before I saw you
You know I dreamed about you
I missed you for 29 years

You know I dreamed about you
For 29 years before I saw you
You know I dreamed about you
For 29 years before I saw you

Everyone is watching
But nobody is watching for you
I don't wanna turn it on
It only makes me sad for you
I know you can play piano
That was just a talent show
They'll never known you like I know you
I never wanted you to go

You're on the rocks in a two-piece suit
In a dead location on the dying scene
You gave Lawrence a full salute
Texas brought them to their knees
Indiana pushes you on the stairs
Your independent declaration
Sounded too much like a prayer

But I wake up and wait there for you
I wait there for you

Anna Freud
No confidence in Anna
In Anna Freud

Remember what they said to you
Everyone will know us now
We love you babe, you make us proud
Don't come home without the crown
Don't come back to Lawrence town
We always knew you'd let us down
Don't come back without the crown

Anna Freud
No confidence in Anna
In Anna Freud
Anna Freud
No confidence in Anna
In Anna Freud

But I wake up and wait there for you
I'll wait there for you

SAD SONGS FOR DIRTY LOVERS

CARDINAL SONG

Never look her in the eyes
Never tell the truth
If she knows you're paper
You know she'll have to burn you
Never tell the one you want that you do
Save it for the deathbed
When you know you kept her wanting you

And do everything she'd never do

Fall asleep with stranger's wives
The wild wives of unknown men
Good for you, you've just become
Just another one of them

Never say you miss her
Never say a word

And do everything she'd never do
Don't let her see your cardinal eyes

Let her treat you like a criminal
So you can treat her like a priest
Girls forgive my human mind
Girls forgive me one more time
Never tell the one you love that you do
Save it for the deathbed

And do everything she'd never do
Don't let her see your cardinal eyes
Don't let her see your cardinal eyes

Jesus Christ, you have confused me
Cornered, wasted, blessed and used me
Forgive me girls I am confused
Stiff and pissed and lost and loose

Jesus Christ, you have confused me
Cornered, wasted, blessed and used me
Forgive me girls I am confused
Stiff and pissed and lost and loose

Sit down, dear, we gotta talk, you're acting like a kid
We don't wanna hear about the things you never did
You could have been a legend but you became a father
That's what you are today, that's what you are today

Spending all your time somewhere inside your head
Haunted by the important life you could have lead
But your kisses aren't enough to keep your kids in line
So you better straighten out yourself and give your baby time
‘Cause if you don't give her what she needs
She'll get it where she can
‘Cause she's lonely, man

Don't, don't leave yourself alone for too many days
‘Cause sooner than you know you're gonna start slipping

You'll end up talking to the ghost of your wife as if you knew her
Your eyes will put her everywhere
And spending all your time somewhere inside your head
Haunted by the important life you could've lead
You'll fuck yourself to clear your head
You'll close your door and go to bed
You'll try to sleep without a dream
‘Cause that's where she finds you
Yeah, that's where she finds you

Don't leave yourself alone, for too many days
Sooner than you know you're gonna start slipping

Dear, we better get a drink in you before you start to bore us
Dear, we better get a drink in you before you start to bore us
Dear, we better get a drink in you before you start to bore us
Dear, we better get a drink in you before you start to bore us

Well, I know that you know
That you've become the target of this hand
With never even asking
Well, I know that you know
That you're the only thing that I can stand

So how could your hair
Have the nerve to dance around like that, blowing?
And how could the air
Have the nerve to blow your hair around like that?

I'm waiting for a 90-mile water wall
To take me out of your view
I'm looking for a trapdoor trigger
To drop me out of your view

Yes, I'm listening, I'm listening
I can tell that you are serious
You're looking for that hurt look around my mouth
The look of a steep fall, yeah, that's how Hersey put it
So you can make another claim
Well go ahead and make it
So you can make another claim
Well go ahead and make it

I'm just waiting for a 90-mile water wall
To take me out of your view
I'm praying for a trapdoor trigger

I'm just waiting for a 90-mile water wall
To take me out of your view
I'm praying for a trapdoor trigger

Yes, I'm listening
I can tell you're serious

We look younger than we feel
And older than we are
And now nobody's funny
No God, they took our fashion week
That's a real bad thing
'Cause we have scars to cover

Now I forget how to think
So crack my skull
Rearrange me

And lover put me in your beautiful bed
And cover me
Lover put me in your beautiful bed

Nothing made a sound in Williamstown that night
And all the air was empty
Then what to my wondering eyes should appear
Nothing
'Cause nothing ever happens here

Now I forget how to think
So crack my skull
Rearrange me

And lover put me in your beautiful bed
And cover me
Lover put me in your beautiful bed

Nothing ever happened here
Nothing ever happened here
Bad things never happen to the beautiful
Nothing ever happened here

I saw my love with pretty boy
I saw my love with pretty boy

Murder me Rachael, I made a mistake
I loved her to ribbons
Loved her to ribbons
Murder me Rachael, I made a mistake
Murder me Rachael
Murder me Rachael

I saw my love with pretty boy
I saw my love with pretty boy
So say goodbye to pretty boy
Just say goodbye to pretty boy

Her pretty little ribbons
Her pretty little name
Sew it in my skin
Never go away
Her pretty little ribbons
Her pretty little name
I sew it in my skin
She'll never go away

I saw my love with pretty boy
I saw my love with pretty boy
So say goodbye to pretty boy
Just say goodbye to pretty boy

Tomorrow won't be pretty
Tomorrow won't be pretty

Love her to ribbons
Love her to ribbons
Love her to ribbons
Love her to ribbons
Love her, love her to ribbons
Love her to ribbons
Love her to ribbons
Love her to ribbons

As far as I can tell
I'm nothing like a princess
But today I find myself
Curling up behind the house
There's nothing in the air today
Now I know I'm not so important

Take these girly arms
And ever keep me
Take these girly arms
And ever keep me

I don't have a hawk in my heart
No dumbass dove in my brain
I don't have a hawk in my heart
No dumbass dove in my dumbass brain

Take these girly arms
And ever keep me
Take these girly arms
And ever keep me

I don't have a hawk in my heart
No, I don't have a hawk in my heart
No, I don't have a hawk in, I don't have a hawk in, I don't have a hawk in my heart
No, I don't have a hawk in my heart
I don't have a hawk in my heart
No, I don't have a hawk in, I don't have a hawk in, I don't have a hawk in my heart
(I don't have a hawk in my heart)
In my heart
In my heart
(I don't have a hawk in my heart)
No, I don't have a hawk in my heart

AVAILABLE

Did you clean yourself for me last night?
Put the water out and donned a marigold
In your hair to bring me here, and tie one on you?

Did you dress me down and liquor me up
To make me last for the minute when the red comes over you?
Like it does when you're filled with love, or whatever you call it

Do you feel alone when I'm in my head
While you wait for me to take my breath?
Do you still feel clean when the only dirt is the dirt I left?

How can you blame yourself
When I did everything I wanted to?

You just made yourself available
You just made yourself available

Why did you dress me down?
Why did you dress me down?
Why did you dress me down?
Why did you dress me down?
Why did you dress me down, dress me down?
Why did you dress me down, dress me down?
Why did you dress me down, dress me down?
Oh, strip down and liquor me up
And liquor me up
And liquor me up
And liquor me up

Sugar wife, sugar wife
Sugar wife, can you make me a man
Baby doll, can you make me a dad

I'm no butterfly, I'm no butterfly
I'm no butterfly, I'm no butterfly

If you tried to make a miracle
You never shoulda tried
If you tried to make a miracle
Sugar wife, baby doll

Can you make me a man
Can you make me a dad
Can you make me a man
Can you make me a dad

Sugar wife

No, nobody wants to be
No, no one's lover
No matter what they say
Lovers know they are the ones
Who one day have to go

Trophy wives, I know they wander
And find a young, young man
Trophy wives, I know they wander

One time you were a good rabbit
To all the girls
And all their lovely mothers
You tried a piece of everything
Now nothing turns you on

Trophy wives, I know they wander
And find a young, young man
Trophy wives, I know they wander

Run, run, baby, I don't feel alive
But I'm pretty and I'm pretty sure
I'm gonna be alright to drive
To New Jack City for a younger man
With a better brain

I, I fell in love with you
No matter what you say
But you were right about the reason
I don't want to be
What I'm becoming

Your trophy wife, I know they wander
And find a young, young man
Your trophy wife, I know they wander
And find a young man
Your trophy wife, I know they wander

In a fashion coat I, I float down my city
Don't you think I look pretty anymore
I'll do everything to you, but I can hardly come
'Cause I'm so afraid of you falling

I die fast in this city
Outside I die slow

I'm not stupid, I swear
I read the foreign news to understand my nation
You get two options in the You Estates
Black city bloodbath or white country rape

I die fast in this city
Outside I die slow
I die fast in this city
Outside I die slow

Everywhere I am is
Just another thing
Without you in it
Oh, everywhere I am is
Just another thing
Without you in it
Yeah, everywhere I am is
Just another thing
Without you in it
Yeah, everywhere I am is
Just another thing
Without you in it

Tonight there isn't any light under your door
I guess you must be somewhere breathing
Where skin and everything still know what they are for
And blood remembers where to go

I fell in love with you, no matter what you say
But you were right about the reasons
To turn a Magdalene into the month of May
I shoulda known the Magdalene was me

So I'm turning on the stereo
And I'm lining up the names
On the mixes I made before you
And I'm turning into fairytales
With glitter and some glue

Everything we ever planned
To ever do

Tonight there isn't any light under your door
I guess you must be somewhere breathing
In patterns unfamiliar to the one you're underneath
I pinned those patterns in my coat

So I'm turning on the stereo
And I'm turning into fairytales
Yes, I'm turning on the stereo
And I'm turning into you

Every time you get a drink
And every time you go to sleep
Are those dreams inside your head?
Is that sunlight on your bed?

And every time you're driving home
Way outside your safety zone
Wherever you will ever be
You're never getting rid of me

You own me
There's nothing you can do
You own me

You could've made a safer bet
But what you break is what you get
You wake up in the bed you make
I think you made a big mistake

You own me
There's nothing you can do
You own me
You own me
Lucky you

You own me
There's nothing you can do

You clean yourself to meet
A man who isn't me
You're putting on a shirt
A shirt I'll never see
The letter's in your coat
And no one's in your head
'Cause you're too smart to remember
That you're too smart

Lucky you
Lucky you
Lucky you

CHERRY TREE

WASP NEST

You're cussing a storm in a cocktail dress
Your mother wore when she was young
Red sun saint around your neck
A wet martini in a paper cup

You're a wasp nest
You're a wasp nest

Your eyes are broken bottles
And I'm afraid to ask
And all your wrath and cutting beauty
You're poison in the pretty glass

You're a wasp nest
You're a wasp nest

You're all humming live wires
Under your killing clothes
Get over here I wanna
Kiss your skinny throat

You're a wasp nest
You're a wasp nest

I'm put together beautifully
Big wet bottle in my fist
Big wet rose in my teeth
I'm a perfect piece of ass
Like every Californian

So tall I take over the street
With high-beams shining up my back
A wingspan unbelievable
I'm a festival
I'm a parade

And all the wine is all for me
And all the wine is all for me
And all the wine is all for me

I'm a birthday candle in a circle of black girls
God is on my side
‘Cause I'm the child-bride
I'm so sorry but the motorcade will have to go around me this time
‘Cause God is on my side
And I'm the child-bride

And all the wine is all for me
And all the wine is all for me
And all the wine is all for me

I carry the dollhouse safe on my shoulders
Through the black city
Nightlights are on in the corners
And everyone's sleeping upstairs
All safe and sound
All safe and sound
I won't let the psychos around
All safe and sound
I won't let the psychos around

I'm in a state
I'm in a state
Nothing can touch us my love
I'm in a state
I'm in a state
Nothing can touch us my love

ALL DOLLED-UP IN STRAPS

I think I saw you riding in a car
You looked happy for a woman
Black fingers in your mouth
And a white, and a white pearl choker
My head plays it over and over
Don't interrupt me

I think I saw you reaching for a glass
With your lanky white arms
Nothing else moves that way. are you kidding me?
My head plays it over and over
Don't interrupt me

All dolled-up in straps, all colored in
Now, love, where have you been?
Dolled-up in straps, all colored in
Now, love, where have you been?
Where have you been?

I think I saw you walking in the city
Hips like a boy's
The sun fell behind you and never stood up
My head plays it over and over
I think I heard you singing

"Oh poor sky, don't cry on me
Somebody break your heart again?
Oh poor sky, don't cry on me
Are you gonna fall apart again?"

My head plays it over and over

All dolled-up in straps, all colored in
Now, love, where have you been?
Dolled-up in straps, all colored in
Now, love, where have you been?
Where have you been?

"Oh poor sky, don't cry on me
Somebody break your heart again?
Oh poor sky, don't cry on me
Somebody break your heart again?
Oh poor sky, don't cry on me
Are you gonna fall apart again?
Oh poor sky, don't cry on me
Are you gonna fall apart again?"

Take us down and all apart
Cherry tree
Lay us out on the table
You're sharp alright

But no one is asking to leave it alone
Leave it alone
Can we?
No one is asking to leave it alone
Leave it alone
Can we?

Loose lips sink ships, loose lips sink ships, loose lips sink ships, loose lips sink ships,
loose lips sink ships, loose lips sink ships, loose lips sink ships

Don't look at me, I'm only breathing
Don't look at me, I'm indiscreet
Don't look at me, I'm only breathing
Don't look at me, I'm indiscreet
You're sharp alright

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Can we show a little discipline?
Can we show a little discipline?
Can we?
Can we?

Loose lips sink ships, loose lips sink ships, loose lips sink ships, loose lips sink ships,
loose lips sink ships, loose lips sink ships, loose lips sink ships

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ABOUT TODAY

Today
You were far away
And I
Didn't ask you "Why?"
What could I say?
I was far away
You just walked away
And I just watched you
What could I say?

How close am I
To losing you?

Tonight
You just close your eyes
And I just watch you
Slip away

How close am I
To losing you?

Hey
Are you awake?
Yeah, I'm right here
What can I ask you
About today?

How close am I
To losing you?
How close am I
To losing?

I don't mind losing a girl to herself
A quiet love is better than none
And I don't mind losing a friend to a friend
If only to be a reasonable man

And I don't mind waiting if it's for the best
A careful heart is better than none
I don't mind painting my back with the past
Pictures in resolute pain
Smoothing the life o'er the lane

But if it happens to you
The same kind of deal
I recommend fire
Instead of the fool

I don't mind shaking your hand at the door
If only to be a resolute man
If only to be a resolute man
If only to be a resolute man

But if it happens to you
The same kind of deal
I recommend fire
Instead of the fool

I don't mind shaking your hand at the door
(Pictures in resolute pain) If only to be a resolute man
If only to be a resolute man
If only to be a resolute man
If only to be a reasonable man
If only to be a reasonable man

ALLIGATOR

I think this place is full of spies
I think they're onto me
Didn't anybody
Didn't anybody tell you
Didn't anybody tell you
How to gracefully disappear in a room?

I know you put in the hours to keep me in sunglasses, I know
And so, and now, I'm sorry I missed you
I had a secret meeting in the basement of my brain

It went the dull and wicked ordinary way
It went the dull and wicked ordinary way
And now, I'm sorry I missed you
I had a secret meeting in the basement of my brain

I think this place is full of spies
I think I'm ruined
Didn't anybody
Didn't anybody tell you
Didn't anybody tell you
This river's full of lost sharks?

I know you put in the hours to keep me in sunglasses, I know
And so, and now, I'm sorry I missed you
I had a secret meeting in the basement of my brain

(I’m talking ace this morning)
(I’m talking ace this morning)
(I’m talking ace this morning)
…

It went the dull and wicked ordinary way
It went the dull and wicked ordinary way
And now I'm sorry I missed you
I had a secret meeting in the basement of my brain
And now I'm sorry I missed you
I had a secret meeting in the basement of my brain
It went the dull and wicked ordinary way
It went the dull and wicked ordinary way
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It went the dull and wicked ordinary way

Karen, I'm not taking sides
I don't think I'll ever do that again
I'll end up winning and I won't know why
I'm really trying to shine here
I'm really trying
You're changing clothes and closing windows on me all the time

Well whatever you do, listen, you'd better wait for me
No I wouldn't go out alone into America
Whatever you do, listen, you'd better wait for me
No I wouldn't go out alone

Karen, we should call your father
Maybe it's just a phase
He'll know the trick to get a wayward soul to change his ways
It's a common fetish
For a doting man
To ballerina on the coffee table cock in hand

Well whatever you do, listen, you'd better wait for me
No I wouldn't go out alone into America
Whatever you do, listen, you'd better wait for me
No I wouldn't go out alone

Without warm water in my head
All I see is black and white and red
I feel mechanical and thin
Hear me play my violin again
I'm living in the target's shoes
All I see is black and white and blue
Idle, idle, idle, idle, protect the nest, protect the title

...

KAREN

Karen, put me in a chair
Fuck me and make me a drink
I lost direction and I'm past my peak
I'm telling you, this isn't me
No this isn't me
Karen believe me, you just haven't seen my good side yet

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No I wouldn't go out alone into America
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I must be me, I'm in my head
Black birds are circling my bed
I must be me, I must be me
Black feathers are falling on my feet
Idle, idle, idle, idle, protect the nest, protect the title
Idle, idle, idle, idle, protect the nest, protect the title

My bodyguard shows her revolver to anyone who asks
And yeah, she comes to attention when you come up to me too fast
But for a little while you'll be here
The only good part of me
But for a little while you'll be here

So lit up, lit up, lit up alright
I try to untie Manhattan
Lit up, lit up, lit up alright
I try to untie

You wear your skirt like a flag and everything surrounds you and it doesn't fade
Nothing like this sound I make
That only lasts the season
And only heard by bedroom kids who buy it for that reason
'Cause you're the low life of the party, bad blood
Bad blood for everybody
I'm in control and I believe

So lit up, lit up, lit up alright
I try to untie Manhattan
Lit up, lit up, lit up alright
I try to untie
From your bad blood
From your bad blood

'Cause you're the low life of the party, bad blood
Bad blood for everybody
I'm in control and I believe

So lit up, lit up, lit up, lit up alright
I try to untie Manhattan
Lit up, lit up, lit up, lit up alright
I try to untie

We're out looking for astronauts
Looking for astronauts
We're out looking for astronauts
Looking for astronauts
It's a little too late, too late, too late for this
Isn't it a little too late for this?
Little too late, too late for this
Isn't it a little too late for this?

You know you have a permanent piece
Of my medium-sized American heart

We're out looking for astronauts
Looking for astronauts
We're out looking for astronauts
Looking for astronauts
Are we gone?
Come on yeah, we know we're gone
Bye, bye, bye
Bye, bye, bye, we know we're gone

Take all your reasons and take them away
To the middle of nowhere, and on your way home
Throw from your window your record collection
They all run together and never make sense
But that's how we like it and that's all we want
Something to cry for, and something to hunt

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Come on yeah, we know we're gone
Bye, bye, bye
Bye, bye, bye, we know we're gone

We're out looking for astronauts
Looking for astronauts
We're out looking for astronauts
Looking for astronauts
It's a little too late, too late, too late for this
Isn't it a little too late for this?
Little too late, too late for this
Isn't it a little too late for this?

You know you have a permanent piece
Of my medium-sized American heart
So don't wear the watch
When you're out with the cunts
You can break what you have but the rest of it's mine

Take all your reasons and take them away
To the middle of nowhere, and on your way home
Throw from your window your record collection
They all run together and never make sense
But that's how we like it and that's all we want
Something to cry for, and something to hunt

I have your good clothes in the car
So cut your hair so no one knows
I have your dreams and your teeth marks
All my fingernails are painted

I'm here to take you now

You were right about the end
It didn't make a difference
Everything I can remember
I remember wrong

How can anybody know
How they got to be this way?
You must have known
I'd do this someday
Break my arms around the one I love
And be forgiven by the time my lover comes
Break my arms around my love
Break my arms around the one I love
And be forgiven by the time my lover comes
Break my arms around my love

I don't have any questions
I don't think it's gonna rain
You were right about the end
It didn't make a difference

I'm here to take you now

Out among the missing sons and daughters of the Soho riots
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I'm here to take you now

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And be forgiven by the time my lover comes
Break my arms around my love
Break my arms around the one I love

All night I lay on my pillow and pray
For my boss to stop me in the hallway
Lay my head on his shoulder and say
"Son, I've been hearing good things"

I wake up without warning and go flying around the house
In my Sauvignon, fierce, freaking out
Take a forty-five minute shower and kiss the mirror

Saying, "Look at me
Baby, we'll be fine
All we gotta do is be brave
And be kind"

I put on an argyle sweater and put on a smile
I don't know how to do this

I'm so sorry for everything
I'm so sorry for everything
I'm so sorry for everything
I'm so sorry for everything

Baby, come over I need entertaining
I had a stilted pretending day
Lay me down and say something pretty
Lay me back down where I wanted to stay
Just say something perfect, something I can steal

Saying, "Look at me
Baby, we'll be fine
All we gotta do is be brave
And be kind"

I pull off your jeans and you spill Jack and Coke in my collar
I melt like a witch and scream

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I'm so sorry for everything
I'm so sorry for everything
I'm so sorry for everything
I'm so sorry for everything
I'm so sorry for everything

Hey, where the hell are you?
You don't call me back, John
Won't you come here and stay with me?
Why don't you come here and stay with me?

Hey, where the hell are you?
You don't call me back, John
Won't you come here and stay with me?
Why don't you come here and stay with me?

Show up here loaded with bells on your toes
I don't care what you're into, I'll put
Velvet ropes around you if that's what you need

Why did you listen to that man?
That man's a balloon
Oh you gotta get out and get back to me
John, you gotta get out and get back to me
Why did you listen to that man?
That man's a balloon
Oh you gotta get out and get back to me
Take his limousine, you gotta get back to me

I'm getting nervous
No sign of a friend of mine
Red hair and blue eyes
I'm getting nervous
No sign of a friend of mine

I was in a train under a river when I remembered what
What I wanted to tell you, man
What I wanted to tell you, man
I got two sets of headphones
I miss you like hell
Won't you come here and stay with me?
Why don't you come here and stay with me?

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No sign of a friend of mine

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That man's a balloon
Oh you gotta get out and get back to me
Why did you listen to that man?
That man's a balloon
John, you gotta get out and get back to me
Why did you listen to that man?
That man's a balloon
Fake a heart attack, you gotta get back to me
Why did you listen to that man
That man's a balloon
John, you gotta get out and get back to me

Build a fire for Val Jester
Build a room for your love
Take your time when you tell her
How she lives in your blood

You should have looked after her better
You should have looked after her more
You should have locked the door

Fill her coat with weapons
And help her get it on
‘Cause one day when she goes
She's gone

You should have held onto her better
You should have held onto her more
You should have locked the door

All the most important people in New York are nineteen
All the most important people in New York
All the most important people in New York are nineteen
All the most important people in New York

Well my mind's not right, my mind's not right
My mind's not right, my mind's not right
My mind's not right, my mind's not right
My mind's not right, my mind's not right

Abel, come on
Give me the keys, man
Everything has all gone down wrong
Abel, come on
Give me the keys, man
Everything has all gone down wrong

I see water on the bridge
Well you better hold my hand through this
Turn around, turn around, take me back
I can't calm down
Turn around, turn around, take me back
I can't calm down

Well my mind's not right, my mind's not right
My mind's not right, my mind's not right
My mind's not right, my mind's not right
My mind's not right, my mind's not right

Abel, come on
Give me a reason
I am not as bright as I could be
Abel, come on
Take me with you
Everything has all gone down wrong

You turn me good and God-fearing
Well tell me what am I supposed to do with that?
I'm missing something
Yeah, I'm missing something

My mind's gone loose inside the shell
My mind's gone loose inside the shell
Well I'm missing something, yeah, I'm missing something
Abel, my mind's gone loose inside the shell

Well my mind's not right, my mind's not right
My mind's not right, my mind's not right
My mind's not right, my mind's not right
My mind's not right, my mind's not right
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My mind's not right, my mind's not right
My mind's not right, my mind's not right

DRIVER, SURPRISE ME

Put the pervert in a suit
Take him out and light him up
Get him out of your system
And warm your brand new bones
Sweep him in a shopping bag
Call a car and take him slow through NoLIta

Driver, surprise me
Any rose red whore
With impeccable taste
We'll take the place over and let him go
Driver, surprise me

Whatever works for you
I'm brand new, reinvented
Without a scratch
Daisy-fresh and arrow-straight

That's a beautiful name
Can I take it?
‘Cause I don't remember anyone
And nothing reminds me
I'm a brand new house
The red go swings somewhere else

Driver, surprise me
Any rose red whore
With impeccable taste
We'll take the place over, let him go
We'll let him blow in the eyes
We'll let him float in the drinks
Of the beautiful boys
And the beautiful girls

I'll find her jewelry in my room
I'll find her voice in my mouth
I'll wear her clothes ‘til she comes home
I'll find her number in my phone

Driver, darling, driver
Driver, darling, driver
Driver, darling, driver
Never take me home

I'll find her jewelry in my room
I'll find her voice in my mouth
I'll wear her clothes ‘til she comes home

We'll take ourselves out in the street
And wear the blood in our cheeks like red roses
We'll go from car to sleeping car
And whisper in their sleeping ears
“We were here, we were here”
We'll set off the geese of Beverly Road

Hey, love, we'll get away with it
We'll run like we're awesome, totally genius
Hey, love, we'll get away with it
We'll run like we're awesome

We won't be disappointed
We'll fight like girls for our place at the table
Our room on the floor
We'll set off the geese of Beverly Road

Hey, love, we'll get away with it
We'll run like we're awesome, totally genius
Hey, love, we'll get away with it
We'll run like we're awesome

We're the heirs to the glimmering world
We're the heirs to the glimmering world
We're the heirs to the glimmering world
We're the heirs to the glimmering world

...

We're drunk and sparking
Our legs are open
Our hands are covered in cake
But I swear we didn't have any
I swear we didn't have any

Hey, love, we'll get away with it
We'll run like we're awesome, totally genius
Hey, love, we'll get away with it
We'll run like we're awesome

We're the heirs to the glimmering world
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We're the heirs to the glimmering world
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Oh, come, come be my waitress and serve me tonight
Serve me the sky tonight
Oh, come, come be my waitress and serve me tonight
Serve me the sky with a big slice of lemon

We're the heirs to the glimmering world
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Oh, come, come be my waitress and serve me tonight
Serve me the sky tonight
Oh, come, come be my waitress and serve me tonight
Serve me the sky with a big slice of lemon

Karen, take me to the nearest famous city middle where they hang the lights
Where it's random and it's common versus common la-de-la
Karen, take me to the nearest famous city middle where they hang the lights
Where it's random and it's common versus common la-de-la

I got 500 in twenties and I've got a ton of great ideas
I'm really worked up
I'm on a good mixture, I don't want to waste it
I'm on a good mixture, I do not want to waste it

I wanna go gator around the warm beds of beginners
I'm really worked up

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I have weird memories of you wearing long red socks and red shoes
I have weird memories
I have weird memories of you pissing in a sink, I think
I have weird memories of you

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I have weird memories
I have weird memories of you pissing in a sink, I think
I have weird memories of you

Parking your car, you said, "I'm overwhelmed"
You were thinking out loud, you said, "I'm overwhelmed"
You were parking your car, you said, "I'm overwhelmed"
You were thinking out loud, you said, "I'm overwhelmed"
You said, "I think I'm like Tennessee Williams"
“I wait for the click, I wait but it doesn't kick in”
“I think I'm like Tennessee Williams”
“I wait for the click, I wait but it doesn't kick in”

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I have weird memories
I have weird memories of you pissing in a sink, I think
I have weird memories of you

I have weird memories of you

This is nothing like it was in my room
In my best clothes
Trying to think of you
This is nothing like it was in my room
In my best clothes
The English are waiting
And I don't know what to do
In my best clothes
This is when I need you
The English are waiting
And I don't know what to do
In my best clothes

I'm the new blue blood
I'm the great white hope
I'm the new blue blood

I won't fuck us over, I'm Mr. November
I'm Mr. November, I won't fuck us over
I won't fuck us over, I'm Mr. November
I'm Mr. November, I won't fuck us over

I wish that I believed in fate
I wish I didn't sleep so late
I used to be carried in the arms of cheerleaders
I used to be carried in the arms of cheerleaders
I used to be carried in the arms of cheerleaders

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BOXER

FAKE EMPIRE

Stay out super late tonight
Picking apples, making pies
Put a little something in our lemonade
And take it with us
We're half awake in a fake empire
We're half awake in a fake empire

Tiptoe through our shiny city
With our diamond slippers on
Do our gay ballet on ice
Bluebirds on our shoulders
We're half awake in a fake empire
We're half awake in a fake empire

Turn the light out, say goodnight
No thinking for a little while
Let's not try to figure out everything at once
It's hard to keep track of you falling through the sky
We're half awake in a fake empire
We're half awake in a fake empire

You have to do it running
But you do everything that they ask you to
‘Cause you don't mind seeing yourself in a picture
As long as you look far away
As long as you look removed

Showered and blue-blazered
Fill yourself with quarters
Showered and blue-blazered
Fill yourself with quarters

You get mistaken for strangers by your own friends
When you pass them at night
Under the silvery, silvery Citibank lights
Arm in arm in arm and eyes and eyes glazing under
Oh, you wouldn't want an angel watching over
Surprise, surprise, they wouldn't wanna watch
Another uninnocent elegant fall Into the unmagnificent lives of adults

Make up something to believe in your heart of hearts
So you have something to wear on your sleeve of sleeves
So you swear you just saw a feathery woman
Carry a blindfolded man through the trees

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Fill yourself with quarters
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BRAINY

I've been dragging around from the end of your coat for two weeks
Everywhere you go is swirling, everything you say has water under it
You know I keep your fingerprints in a pink folder in the middle of my table
You're the tall kingdom I surround
Think I better follow you around

You might need me more than you think you will
Come home in the car you love
Brainy, brainy, brainy

I've been dragging around from the end of your coat for two weeks
You keep changing your fancy, fancy mind every time I decide to let go
I was up all night again, boning up and reading the American dictionary
You'll never believe me what I found
Think I better follow you around

You might need me more than you think you will
Come home in the car you love
Brainy, brainy, brainy
You might need me more than you think you will
Come home in the car you love
Brainy, brainy, brainy

Underline everything, I'm a professional
In my beloved white shirt
Underline everything, I'm a professional
In my beloved white shirt
I'm going down among the saints

Raise our heavenly glasses to the heavens
“Squalor Victoria, Squalor Victoria!”
Raise our heavenly glasses to the heavens
“Squalor Victoria, Squalor Victoria!”

Out of my league, I have birds in my sleeves
And I wanna rush in with the fools
Out of my league, I have birds in my sleeves
And I wanna rush in with the fools

Raise our heavenly glasses to the heavens
“Squalor Victoria, Squalor Victoria!”
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“Squalor Victoria, Squalor Victoria!”

I'm going down among the saints

3:30 in the last night for you to save this
You're zoning out, zoning out, zoning out, zoning out
3:30 in the last night for you to save this
You're zoning out, zoning out, zoning out, zoning out
This isn't working, you, my middlebrow fuck up

Falling out of touch with all
My friends are somewhere getting wasted
Hope they're staying glued together
I have arms for them

Take another sip of them
It floats around and takes me over
Like a little drop of ink in a
Glass of water

Get inside their clothes
With my green gloves
Watch their videos
In their chairs
Get inside their beds
With my green gloves
Get inside their heads
Love their loves

Cinderella through the room
I glide and swan, ‘cause I'm the
Best slow dancer in the
Universe

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I have arms for them

Get inside their clothes
With my green gloves
Watch their videos
In their chairs
Get inside their beds
With my green gloves
Get inside their heads
Love their loves

Now I hardly know them
But I'll take my time
I'll carry them over
And I'll make them mine

Get inside their clothes
With my green gloves
Watch their videos
In their chairs
Get inside their beds
With my green gloves
Get inside their heads
Love their loves

Standing at the punch table, swallowing punch
Can't pay attention to the sound of anyone
Little more stupid, little more scared
Every minute, more unprepared
I made a mistake in my life today
Everything I love gets lost in drawers
I want to start over, I want to be winning
Way out of sync from the beginning

I wanna hurry home to you
Put on a slow, dumb show for you
And crack you up
So you can put a blue ribbon on my brain
God, I'm very, very frightening
I'll overdo it

Looking for somewhere to stand and stay
I leaned on the wall and the wall leaned away
Can I get a minute of not being nervous
And not thinking of my dick?
My leg is sparkles, my leg is pins
I better get my shit together, better gather my shit in
You could drive a car through my head in five minutes
From one side of it to the other

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Put on a slow, dumb show for you
And crack you up
So you can put a blue ribbon on my brain
God, I'm very, very frightening
I'll overdo it

You know I dreamed about you
For 29 years before I saw you
You know I dreamed about you
I missed you for, for 29 years

You know I dreamed about you
For 29 years before I saw you
You know I dreamed about you
I missed you for, for 29 years

Be still for a second while I try and try to pin your flowers on
Can you carry my drink?
I have everything else
I can tie my tie all by myself
I'm getting tied, I'm forgetting why

Oh, we're so disarming darling
Everything we did believe
Is diving, diving, diving, diving off the balcony
Tired and wired we ruin too easy
Sleep in our clothes and wait for winter to leave

Hold ourselves together with our arms around the stereo for hours
While it sings to itself or whatever it does
When it sings to itself of its long lost loves
I'm getting tied
I'm forgetting why

Tired and wired we ruin too easy
Sleep in our clothes and wait for winter to leave
And I'll be with you behind the couch
When they come on a different day just like this one

We'll stay inside 'til somebody finds us
Do whatever the TV tells us
Stay inside our rosy-minded fuzz for days
We'll stay inside 'til somebody finds us
Do whatever the TV tells us
Stay inside our rosy-minded fuzz

So worry not
All things are well
We'll be alright
We have our looks and perfume

Stay inside 'til somebody finds us
Do whatever the TV tells us
Stay inside our rosy-minded fuzz

So worry not
All things are well
We'll be alright
We have our looks and perfume on

We expected something, something better than before
We expected something more
Do you really think you can just put it in a safe behind a painting
Lock it up and leave?
Do you really think you can just put it in a safe behind a painting
Lock it up and leave?
Walk away now and you're gonna start a war

Whatever went away, I'll get it over now
I'll get money, I'll get funny again
Whatever went away, I'll get it over now
I'll get money, I'll get funny again
Walk away now and you're gonna start a war

We expected something, something better than before
We expected something more
You were always weird but I never had to hold you by the edges
Like I do now
We were always weird but I never had to hold you by the edges
Like I do now
Walk away now and you're gonna start a war

Whatever went away, I'll get it over now
I'll get money, I'll get funny again
Whatever went away, I'll get it over now
I'll get money, I'll get funny again
Walk away now and you're gonna start a war
Walk away now and you're gonna start a war

They're gonna send us to prison for jerks
For having vague ideas of the way to turn each other on again
They're gonna send us to prison for jerks

They'll find us here
Here, here in the guest room
Where we throw money at each other
And cry, “Oh, my”

We miss being ruffians
Going wild and bright
In the corners of front yards
Getting in and out of cars
We miss being deviants

They'll find us here
Here, here in the guest room
Where we throw money at each other
And cry, “Oh, my”
We can't stay here
We're starting to stay the same
We can't stay here
We can't stay this way

Just tie your woman to your wrist
Give her the room to tie the other

They'll find us here
Here, here in the guest room
Where we throw money at each other
And cry, “Oh, my”

You're pink, you're young, you're middle class
They say it doesn't matter
Fifteen blue shirts and womanly hands
You're shooting up the ladder

Your mind is racing like a pro now
Oh my God, it doesn't mean a lot to you
One time you were a glowing young ruffian
Oh my God, it was a million years ago

Sometimes you get up and bake a cake or something
Sometimes you stay in bed
Sometimes you go la-di-da-di-da-di-da-da
Until your eyes roll back into your head

Your mind is racing like a pro now
Oh my God, it doesn't mean a lot to you
One time you were a glowing young ruffian
Oh my God, it was a million years ago

You're dumbstruck, baby
You're dumbstruck, baby, now you know
You're dumbstruck, baby
You're dumbstruck, baby, now you know

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Oh my God, it doesn't mean a lot to you
One time you were a glowing young ruffian
Oh my God, it was a million years ago

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You're dumbstruck, baby, now you know
You're dumbstruck, baby

Ada, don't talk about reasons why you don't want to talk about reasons why you don't wanna talk
Now that you got everybody you consider sharp
All alone, all together, all together in the dark
Leave it all up in the air
Leave it all up in the air
Leave it all up in the air

Ada, put the sounds of your house in a song
Try to be speechless for a minute
If you think you're gonna faint, go out in the hallway
Let them all have your neck

Ada, don't stay in the lake too long
It lives alone and it barely knows you
It'll have a nervous breakdown and fall
Into a thousand pieces around you

Stand inside an empty tuxedo with grapes in my mouth
Waiting for Ada
Ada, hold onto yourself by the sleeves
I think everything counts a little more than we think
Leave it all up in the air
Leave it all up in the air
Leave it all up in the air

Ada, Ada, Ada
Ada, I can hear the sound of your laugh through the wall

Ada, don't talk about reasons why you don't want to talk about reasons why you don't wanna talk
Now that you got everybody you consider sharp
All alone, all together, all together in the dark
Leave it all up in the air
Leave it all up in the air
Leave it all up in the air

Ada, Ada, Ada
Ada, I can hear the sound of your laugh through the wall
Ada, Ada, Ada
Ada, I've been hoping you know your way around

I got two armfuls of magazines for you
I'll bring them over
So hang your holiday rainbow lights in the garden
Hang your holiday rainbow lights in the garden
And I'll, I'll bring a nice icy drink to you

Let me come over, I can waste your time, I'm bored
Invite me to the war every night of the summer
And we'll play G.I. blood, G.I. blood
We'll stand by the pool, we'll throw out our golden arms
Darling, can you tie my string?
Killers are calling on me

My angel face is falling
Feathers are falling on my feet
Darling, can you tie my string?
Killers are calling on me

Stay near your, stay near your television
Set it up outside
And hang your holiday rainbow lights in the garden
Hang your holiday rainbow lights in the garden
And I'll, I'll bring a nice icy drink to you

Let me come over, I can waste your time, I'm bored
Invite me to the war every night of the summer
And we'll play G.I. blood, G.I. blood
We'll stand by the pool, we'll throw out our golden arms
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THE VIRGINIA EP

YOU'VE DONE IT AGAIN, VIGINIA

You had fun, but you couldn't get him out of the car
I guess mamma's boys only go so far
You went in and put a record on
To make it sound like someone was home
And thanked yourself for pouring yourself a drink

Try to figure out and laugh yourself to the showers
Burn yourself alive and join the monster squad
They say in this place you can reinvent yourself

Well you've done it again, Virginia
Made another masterpiece while I was dreamin'
How does it feel to feel like you?
Brilliant sugar, brilliant sugar, brilliant sugar, turn over

A cool, tall, drink of water is all you ever wanted to be
If you had another wish to wish you'd be fun and moving
But you can't talk to people right, you can't tell a story
You're tall, long legged and your heart's full of liquor
And me and everybody are just ice in a glass

Try to figure out and laugh yourself to the showers
Burn yourself alive and join the monster squad
They say in this place you can reinvent yourself

Well you've done it again, Virginia
Made another masterpiece while I was dreamin'
How does it feel to feel like you?
Brilliant sugar, brilliant sugar, brilliant sugar, turn over

I don't worry anymore
Nothing like I did before
I don't worry I just watch ‘em rolling back
I don't worry anymore
‘Cause it's all right, all right to see a ghost
And I wanna see 'em go down in the river where they go
And I wanna see 'em rolling, rolling back
And I wanna see 'em go
‘Cause it's all right, all right to see your ghost

I'm gonna run to the river
Kiss my hand and wave
I’m gonna run to the river
Gonna throw a blue bouquet
‘Cause they're gonna be cool happy genius heroes
I'm gonna miss 'em so much

I will settle in and dream
Of a slow and funny scene
I will settle in and watch 'em rolling back
I will settle in and dream
‘Cause it's all right, all right to see a ghost
And I wanna see 'em go down in the river where they go
And I wanna see 'em rolling, rolling back

I'm gonna run to the river
Kiss my hand and wave
Gonna run to the river
Gonna throw a blue bouquet
‘Cause they're gonna be cool happy genius heroes
I'm gonna miss them so much

I'm gonna run to the river
Kiss my hand and wave
I’m gonna run to the river
Gonna send 'em on their way
‘Cause they're gonna be cool happy genius heroes
I'm gonna miss them so much

Yeah, they're gonna be cool happy genius heroes
I'm gonna miss 'em so much

BLANK SLATE

I was home entertaining guests
When I fell off the chair and cracked open my head
Bees flew out and they flew up their skirts
'Cause they wanted to travel the world
I was home entertaining guests
When I fell off the chair and cracked open my head
Bees flew out and they flew up their skirts
'Cause they wanted to travel the world

But I keep it upstairs
Keep it upstairs for the grand finale
I keep it upstairs
Gonna be a blank slate, gonna wear a white cape
But I keep it upstairs
Gonna jump out of a cake with my heart on a string
Keep it upstairs
Keep it upstairs
Keep it upstairs

I go out looking in parked cars
For somebody famous to kidnap and love
Beat off the army with a tennis racket
I go out looking in parked cars
For somebody famous to kidnap and love
Beat off the army with a tennis racket
That's my whole plan

But I keep it upstairs
Keep it upstairs for the grand finale
I keep it upstairs
Gonna be a blank slate, gonna wear a white cape
But I keep it upstairs
Gonna tackle young girls off their beautiful bikes
But I keep it upstairs
Keep it upstairs
Keep it upstairs

Oh no, I thought I'd be by now
My head is a buzzing three-star hotel
Oh no, oh no, no, no, no, no, no

But I keep it upstairs
Keep it upstairs for the grand finale
I keep it upstairs
Gonna be a blank slate, gonna wear a white cape
But I keep it upstairs
Gonna jump out of a cake with my hard-on and sing
Keep it upstairs
Keep it upstairs
Keep it upstairs

Oh no, I thought I'd be by now
My head is a buzzing three-star hotel
Oh no, oh no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no
No where that I thought I'd be by now
My head is a buzzing three-star hotel
Oh no, oh no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no

Keep your legs from shaking, fill your eyes with new tears
Don't ask questions, you don't know your name
Something for everyone, try to win prizes
Stay young and quiet

Tall Saint, I'm devoted with a glass of champagne to you
Bubbles to the chandelier
I'm in your hands tonight, Tall Saint
Stay behind me

Don't tell everybody at the table about your dreams
They're too amazing, it'll melt their minds
Take 'em to Hollywood, cut out the good parts
Become millionaires

Tall Saint, I'm devoted with a glass of champagne to you
Bubbles to the chandelier
I've been looking for you all night, Tall Saint
Stay behind me now, Tall Saint

In my city I didn't make a sound
When I fell over and cracked my crown
Heard a woman say, "Stay down, Champion, stay down"

Tall Saint, I'm devoted with a glass of champagne to you
Bubbles to the chandelier
I'm in your hands tonight, Tall Saint
Stay behind me now, Tall Saint
Stay behind me now, Tall Saint

In my city I didn't make a sound
When I fell over and cracked my crown
Heard a woman say, "Stay down, Champion, stay down"
But I got up, got in a car
Said, "I don't think I'm gonna go very far"
Just take me one time around the ballroom slow
And take me home

Oh, well I just don't know
How you could go
Without permission

'Cause where if you're not there?
Well I just don't care
For this omission

Every moment brings me down
When you're not around
But all I'm asking for
Is come back for just one day

So where did you go?
And do you now know
How to be happy?

'Cause here well it's pretty clear
When you're not near me
I am unhappy

Every moment brings me down
When you're not around
But all I'm asking for
Is come back for just one day
And make it worth the while
Just to see your smile
That's all I'm asking for

Oh, I've come to know
You had to go
Without permission

'Cause it was how, how I wore you down
And how I dragged you 'round
My sole ambition

Every moment brings me down
When you're not around
But all I'm asking for
Is come back for just one day
And make it worth the while
Just to see your smile
That's all I'm asking for, my dear

On my feet I stand tonight
Stand and step up to the line
An extraordinary man
Unbroken in a breaking light

Forever after days
Stand and make myself a crown
To the table I step alone
Hold my own above the ground
Take my shot under the light
Heroes come the common way
Pull myself into the sky
Wrap me in the banner I made

On my feet I stand tonight
Stand alone inside the air
An extraordinary man
Everything stops and holds me there

Forever after days
Stand and make myself a crown
To the table I step alone
And hold my own above the ground
Take my shot under the light
Heroes come the common way
Pull myself into the sky
Wrap me in the banner I made

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Stand and make myself a crown
To the table I step alone
And hold my own above the ground
Take my shot under the light
Heroes come the common way
Pull myself into the sky
Wrap me in the banner I made

I'm keeping you in mind
For the rest of years, for the rest of years
In your watery eyes I'm gonna rest some day
In your watery eyes I'm gonna rest some day
In your watery eyes I'm gonna rest some day
In your watery eyes
Tell the saint I'm gonna be a little late
Drawing lines around the river for the rest of years

All in time, but you're fading away from
All in time, but you're fading away from me

They can't see what I can see
Tell them to wait for me
I can turn everything around
I can turn everything around
They can't see what I can see
Tell them to wait for me
I can turn everything around
I can turn everything around

I heard you in my sleep
For the rest of years, for the rest of years
So lonely, I'm trying to hear you
So lonely, I'm trying to hear you
So lonely, I'm trying to hear you
So lonely, I'm

All in time, but you're fading away from
All in time, but you're fading away from me, love

They can't see what I can see
Tell them to wait for me
I can turn everything around
I can turn everything around
They can't see what I can see
Tell them to wait for me
I can turn everything around
I can turn everything around

They can't see what I can see
(Tell them to wait for me)
I can turn everything around
I can turn everything around

All in time, but you're fading away from
All in time, but you're fading away from
All in time, but you're fading away from me, love

There's a place out on the edge of town, sir
Rising above the factories and the fields
Ever since I was a child, I can remember
The mansion on the hill

In the day, you can see the children playing
On the road that leads to the gates of hardened steel
Steel gates that completely surround
The mansion on the hill

At night, my daddy'd take me and we'd ride
Through the streets of a town so silent and still
Park on a back road along the highway side
And look up at the mansion on the hill

In the summer, all the lights would shine
There'd be music playing, people laughing all the time
Me and my sister, we'd hide out in the tall corn fields
Sit and listen to the mansion on the hill

Tonight, down here in Linden town
I watch the cars rushing by home from the mill
There's a beautiful full moon rising
Above the mansion on the hill

HIGH VIOLET

TERRIBLE LOVE

It's a terrible love and I'm walking with spiders
It's a terrible love and I'm walking in
It's a terrible love and I'm walking with spiders
It's a terrible love and I'm walking in
It’s quiet company
It’s quiet company
It's a terrible love and I'm walking with spiders
It's a terrible love and I'm walking in
It's a terrible love and I'm walking with spiders
It's a terrible love and I'm walking in
It’s quiet company
It’s quiet company
It’s quiet company

And I can't fall asleep
Without a little help
It takes a while to settle down
My shivered bones
Until the panic's out

It takes an ocean not to break
It takes an ocean not to break
It takes an ocean not to break
It takes an ocean not to break
Company
It’s quiet company
It’s quiet company

But I won't follow you
Into the rabbit hole
I said I would but then I saw
Your shivered bones
They didn't want me to

It's a terrible love and I'm walking with spiders
It's a terrible love and I'm walking in
It's a terrible love and I'm walking with spiders
It's a terrible love and I'm walking in
It takes an ocean not to break
It takes an ocean not to break
It takes an ocean not to break

Sorrow found me when I was young
Sorrow waited, sorrow won
Sorrow, they put me on a pill
It's in my honey, it's in my milk

Don't leave my hyper heart alone on the water
Cover me in rag and bone sympathy
‘Cause I don't wanna get over you
I don't wanna get over you

Sorrow's my body on the waves
Sorrow's a girl inside my cake
I live in a city sorrow built
It's in my honey, it's in my milk

Don't leave my hyper heart alone on the water
Cover me in rag and bone sympathy
‘Cause I don't wanna get over you
I don't wanna get over you

Don't leave my hyper heart alone on the water
Cover me in rag and bone sympathy
‘Cause I don't wanna get over you
I don't wanna get over you

Say you stayed home
Alone with the flu
Find out from friends
That wasn't true
Go out at night with your headphones on, again
And walk through the Manhattan valleys of the dead

Didn't wanna be your ghost
Didn't wanna be anyone's ghost
Didn't wanna be your ghost
Didn't wanna be anyone's ghost

But I don't want anybody else
I don't want anybody else

You said I came close
As anyone's come
To live underwater
For more than a month
You said it was night inside my heart, it was
You said it should tear a kid apart, it does

Didn't wanna be your ghost
Didn't wanna be anyone's ghost
Didn't wanna be your ghost
Didn't wanna be anyone's ghost

But I don't want anybody else
I don't want anybody else
I don't want anybody else
I don't want anybody else

I had a hole in the middle where the lightning went through
I told my friends not to worry
I had a hole in the middle someone's sideshow to do
I told my friends not to worry

Didn't wanna be your ghost
Didn't wanna be anyone's ghost
Didn't wanna be your ghost
Didn't wanna be anyone's ghost

Little faith, follow me
I set a fire in a blackberry field
Make us laugh or nothing will
I set a fire just to see what it kills

Now we're stuck in New York and the rain's coming down
I don't feel like we're going anywhere
Stuck in New York and the rain's coming down
Still in line for the Vanity Fair

Leave our red Southern souls
Head for the coast
Leave our red Southern souls
Everything goes

Oh, our lonely kicks are getting harder to find
We'll play nuns versus priests until somebody cries
Oh, our lonely kicks they'll make us saintly and thin
We'll play nuns versus priests until somebody wins

Awesome prince, get your sleep
Lose your heart, history
Make us laugh or nothing will
I set a fire just to see what it kills

Don't be bitter, Anna, I know how you think
You're waiting for Radio City to sink
You'll find commiseration in everyone's eyes
The storm will suck the pretty girls into the sky

Oh, our lonely kicks are getting harder to find
We'll play nuns versus priests until somebody cries
Oh, our lonely kicks they'll make us saintly and thin
We'll play nuns versus priests until somebody wins

Leave our red Southern souls
Head for the coast
Leave our red Southern souls
Everything goes

AFRAID OF EVERYONE

Venom radio and
Venom television
I'm afraid of everyone
I'm afraid of everyone
Lay the young blue bodies
With the old red bodies
I'm afraid of everyone
I'm afraid of everyone

With my kid on my shoulders I'll try
Not to hurt anybody I like
But I don't have the drugs to sort
I don't have the drugs to sort it out
Sort it out

I defend my family
With my orange umbrella
I'm afraid of everyone
I'm afraid of everyone
With my shiny new star
Spangled tennis shoes on
I'm afraid of everyone
I'm afraid of everyone

With my kid on my shoulders I'll try
Not to hurt anybody I like
But I don't have the drugs to sort
I don't have the drugs to sort it out
Sort it out
I don't have the drugs to sort
I don't have the drugs to sort it out
Sort it out

Yellow voices swallowing my soul, soul, soul, yellow voices swallowing my soul, soul, soul, yellow voices swallowing my soul, soul, soul, yellow voices swallowing my soul, soul, soul, yellow voices swallowing my soul, soul, soul, soul, yellow voices swallowing my soul, soul, soul, soul, yellow voices swallowing my soul, soul, soul, soul, soul, soul, soul, soul, soul, soul, soul, soul, soul, soul, soul, yellow voices swallowing my soul, soul, soul, soul, yellow voices swallowing my soul, soul, soul, soul, yellow voices swallowing my soul, soul, soul, soul, soul, soul, soul, soul, soul, soul, soul, soul

Stand up straight at the foot of your love
I lift my shirt up
Stand up straight at the foot of your love
I lift my shirt up

I was carried to Ohio in a swarm of bees
I never married but Ohio don't remember me

Lay my head on the hood of your car
I take it too far
Lay my head on the hood of your car
I take it too far

I still owe money to the money to the money I owe
I never thought about love when I thought about home
I still owe money to the money to the money I owe
The floors are falling down from everybody I know
I'm on a bloodbuzz
Yes, I am
I'm on a bloodbuzz

I'm on a bloodbuzz
God, I am
I'm on a bloodbuzz

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I'm on a bloodbuzz
God, I am
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So happy I was invited
Gave me a reason to get out of the city
See you inside watching swarms on TV
Livin' and dyin' in New York, it means nothing to me
I gave my heart to the Army
The only sentimental thing I could think of
With cousins and cousins somewhere overseas
But it'll take a better war to kill a college man like me

I'm too tired to drive anywhere, anyway right now
Do you care if I stay?
You can put on your bathing suits
And I'll try to find somethin' on this thing that means nothin' enough
Losin' my breath, doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo
Losin' my breath, doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo

You and your sister live in a Lemonworld
I want to sit in and die
You and your sister live in a Lemonworld
Doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo
You and your sister live in a Lemonworld
I want to sit in and die
You and your sister live in a Lemonworld
Doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo

This pricey stuff makes me dizzy
I guess I've always been a delicate man
It takes me a day to remember a day
I didn't mean to let it get so far out of hand
I was a comfortable kid
But I don't think about it much anymore
Lay me on the table, put flowers in my mouth
And we can say that we invented a summer lovin' torture party

I'm too tired to drive anywhere, anyway right now
Do you care if I stay?
You can put on your bathing suits
And I'll try to find something on this thing that means nothin' enough

You and your sister live in a Lemonworld
I want to sit in and die
You and your sister live in a Lemonworld
Doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo
You and your sister live in a Lemonworld
I want to sit in and die
You and your sister live in a Lemonworld
Doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo

Losin' my breath, doo doo doo doo doo doo doo

There's no saving anything
Now we're swallowing the shine of the sun
There's no saving anything
How we swallow the sun

But I won't be no runaway
‘Cause I won't run
No I won't be no runaway
But what makes you think I'm enjoying being led to the flood?
We got another thing coming undone
And it’s taking us over

We don't bleed when we don't fight
Go ahead, go ahead
Throw your arms in the air tonight
We don't bleed when we don't fight
Go ahead, go ahead
Lose our shirts in the fire tonight
But what makes you think I'm enjoying being led to the flood?
We got another thing coming undone

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We don't bleed when we don't fight
Go ahead, go ahead
Lose our shirts in the fire tonight
But what makes you think I'm enjoying being led to the flood?
We got another thing coming undone
We got another thing coming undone
And it's taking forever

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RUNAWAY

I'll go braving everything
With you swallowing the shine of the sun
I'll go braving everything
Through the shine of the sun

But I won't be no runaway
'Cause I won't run
No I won't be no runaway
'Cause I won't run
No I won't be no runaway
But what makes you think I'm enjoying being led to the flood?
We got another thing coming undone
And it's taking us over

We don't bleed when we don't fight
Go ahead, go ahead
Throw your arms in the air tonight
We don't bleed when we don't fight
Go ahead, go ahead
Lose our shirts in the fire tonight
But what makes you think I'm enjoying being led to the flood?
We got another thing coming undone

We got another thing coming undone

And it's taking us over

And it's taking forever

I think the kids are in trouble
I do not know what all the troubles are for
Give ‘em ice for their fevers
You're the only thing I ever want anymore
Live on coffee and flowers
And try not to wonder what the weather will be
I figured out what we're missing
Tell you miserable things after you are asleep

Now we'll leave the silver city ‘cause all the silver girls
Gave us black dreams
Leave the silver city ‘cause all the silver girls
Everything means everything

It's a Hollywood summer
You’d never believe the shitty thoughts I think
Meet our friends out for dinner
When I said what I said, I didn't mean anything
We belong in a movie
Try to hold it together ‘til our friends are gone
We should swim in a fountain
I do not wanna disappoint anyone

Now we'll leave the silver city ‘cause all the silver girls
Gave us black dreams
Leave the silver city to all the silver girls
Everything means everything

I was afraid I'd eat your brains
I was afraid I'd eat your brains
'Cause I'm evil
'Cause I'm evil

I'm a confident liar
Had my head in the oven so you’ll know where I’ll be
I try to be more romantic
I wanna believe in everything you believe
If I was less than amazing
I do not know what all the troubles are for
I fall asleep in your branches
You're the only thing I ever want anymore

Now we'll leave the silver city ‘cause all the silver girls
Gave us black dreams
Leave the silver city to all the silver girls
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Someone send a runner through the weather that I'm under for the feeling that I lost today
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You must be somewhere in London
You must be loving your life in the rain
You must be somewhere in London
Walking Abbey Lane
I don't even think to make
I don't even think to make
I don't even think to make corrections

Famous angels never come through England
England gets the ones you never need
I'm in a Los Angeles cathedral
Minor singin' airheads sing for me

Put an ocean and a river between everybody else, between everything, yourself and home
Put an ocean and a river between everything, yourself and home

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Afraid of the house, stay the night with the sinners
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Afraid of the house, 'cause they're desperate to entertain
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Afraid of the house, 'cause they're desperate to entertain

Leave your home
Change your name
Live alone
Eat your cake

Vanderlyle crybaby cry
O, the water's a-rising
Still no surprising you
Vanderlyle crybaby cry
Man, it's all been forgiven
Swans are a-swimmin'
I'll explain everything to the geeks

All the very best of us
String ourselves up for love
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Hanging from
Chandeliers
Same small world
At your heels

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TROUBLE WILL FIND ME

Don't make me read your mind, you should know me better than that
It takes me too much time, you should know me better than that
You're not that much like me, you should know me better than that
We have different enemies, you should know me better than that
I should leave it alone, but you're not right
I should leave it alone, but you're not right

Can't you write it on a wall? You should know me better than that
There's no room to write it all, you should know me better than that
But can you turn the TV down? You should know me better than that
There's too much crying in the sound, I should know you better than that
I should leave it alone, but you're not right
I should leave it alone, but you're not right

I should live in salt for leaving you behind
Behind

Think about something so much, you should know me better than that
Start to slide outta touch, you should know me better than that
Tell yourself it's only noise, you should know me better than that
Learn to appreciate the void, you should know me better than that

I should live in salt for leaving you behind
Behind
I should live in salt for leaving you behind
Behind

I should live in salt for leaving you behind
Behind

When I think of you in the city
The sight of you among the sights
I get this sudden sinking feeling
Of a man about to fly
Never kept me up before
But now I've been awake for days
I can't fight it anymore
I'm going through an awkward phase

I am secretly in love with
Everyone that I grew up with
Do my crying underwater
I can't get down any farther
All my drowning friends can see
Now there is no running from it
It's become the crux of me
I wish that I could rise above it

But I stay down with my demons
I stay down with my demons

Bats and buzzards in the sky
Alligators in the sewers
I don't even wonder why
I hide among the younger viewers
Huddle with them all night long
The worried talk to God goes on
I sincerely tried to love it
I wish that I could rise above it

But I stay down with my demons
I stay down with my demons
I stay down with my demons
I stay down with my demons

Can I stay here? I can sleep on the floor
Paint the blood and hang the palms on the door
I do not think I'm going places anymore
I wanna see the sun come up above New York
Oh, every day I start so great
And then the sunlight dims
The less I look, the more I see
The pythons in the limbs
Do not know what's wrong with me
The sour's in the cup
But when I walk into the room
I do not light it up

Fuck

So I stay down with my demons
I stay down with my demons
I stay down with my demons
I stay down with my demons

Gold light breaks behind the houses
I don't see what's strange about this
Tiny bubbles hang above me
It's a sign that someone loves me
I can hardly stand upright
Hit my head up on the light
I have faith but don't believe it
It's not there enough to leave it

Everything I love is on the table
Everything I love is out to sea

I have only two emotions
Careful fear and dead devotion
I can't get the balance right
With all my marbles in the fight
I see all the ones I wept for
All the things I had it in for
I won't cry until I hear
‘Cause I was not supposed to be here

Everything I love is on the table
Everything I love is out to sea

I'm not alone, I'll never be
And to the bone, I'm evergreen

I'm tired, I'm freezing, I'm dumb
When it gets so late I forget everyone
I need somewhere to stay
Don't think anybody I know is awake
Calm down, it's alright
Keep my arms the rest of the night
When they ask what do I see
I say, “A bright white beautiful heaven hanging over me"

I'm not alone, I'll never be
And to the bone, I'm evergreen
And if you want (dead seriously) To see me cry (don't swallow the cap)
Play "Let It Be" (pat yourself on the back) Or "Nevermind" (dead seriously)

Is it time to leave?
Is it time to think about
What I wanna say to the girls at the door?
I need somewhere to be
But I can't get around the river in front of me
Calm down, it's alright
Lead my arms the rest of the night
When they ask what do I see
I say, “A bright white beautiful heaven hanging over me"

I'm not alone (dead seriously) I'll never be (don't swallow the cap)
And to the bone (pat yourself on the back) I'm evergreen (dead seriously)
And if you want (dead seriously) To see me cry (don't swallow the cap)
Play "Let It Be" (pat yourself on the back) Or "Nevermind" (dead seriously)

You keep a lot of secrets
And I keep none
Wish I could go back
And keep some
You're fireproof
Nothing breaks your heart
You're fireproof
It's just the way you are

You tell me you're waiting
To find someone
Who isn't so hopeless
There's no one
You're fireproof
Nothing breaks your heart
You're fireproof
How'd you get so far

You're a needle in the hay
You're the water at the door
You're a million miles away
Doesn't matter anymore

Jennifer, you are not the only reason
My head is boiling and my hands are freezing
Jennifer, you are not the only one
To sit awake until the wild feelings leave you

You're fireproof
Nothing breaks your heart
You're fireproof
It's just the way you are
You're fireproof
It's what you always say
You're fireproof
Wish I was that way

Oh, you say you love me, Joe
How am I supposed to know?
When you go under the waves
What am I supposed to say?

I see people on the floor
They slide into the sea
Can't stay here anymore
We're turning into fiends

If I stay here, trouble will find me
If I stay here, I'll never leave
If I stay here, trouble will find me
I believe

Joe, I'll always think of you
As a kind of child who knew
This was never gonna last
Oh, Joe, you fell so fast

Hey Joe, sorry I hurt you, but they say love is a virtue, don't they?
Hey Joe, sorry I hurt you, but they say love is a virtue, don't they?
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I see people on the floor
They slide into the sea
Can't stay here anymore
We're turning into fiends

I see you rushing down
Tell me how to reach you
I see you rushing down
What did Harvard teach you?
I see you rushing down
Tell me how to reach you
I see you rushing down
What did Harvard teach you?
I see you rushing down (Don’t drag me in)
Tell me how to reach you
I see you rushing down (Don’t drag me in)
What did Harvard teach you?
I see you rushing down (Don’t drag me in)
Tell me how to reach you
I see you rushing down (Don’t drag me in)
What did Harvard teach you?

I could walk out but I won't
In my mind I am in your arms
I wish someone would take my place
Can't face heaven all heavenfaced
No one's careful all the time
If you lose me, I'm gonna die

How completely high was I?
I was off by a thousand miles
Hit the ceiling, then you fall
Things are tougher than we are
I could walk out but I won't
In my mind I am in your arms
I wish someone would take my place
Can't face heaven all heavenfaced

Let's go wait out in the fields with the ones we love
Let's go wait out in the fields with the ones we love
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Let's go wait out in the fields with the ones we love

She's a griever and I believe her
It's not a fever, it's a freezer
I believe her, I'm a griever now
She's a griever and I believe her
It's not a fever, it's a freezer
I believe her, I'm a griever now

Because we'll all arrive in heaven alive
We'll all arrive
Because we'll all arrive in heaven alive
We'll all arrive

Oh, when I lift you up you feel like a hundred times yourself
I wish everybody knew what's so great about you
Oh, but your love is such a swamp, you don't think before you jump
And I said I wouldn't get sucked in

This is the last time

Oh, don't tell anyone I'm here, I got Tylenol and beer
I was thinking that you call somebody closer to you
Oh, but your love is such a swamp, you're the only thing I want
And I said I wouldn't cry about it

This is the last time
This is the last time

We were so under the brine
We were so vacant and kind
We were so under the brine
We were so vacant
We were so under the brine
We were so out of our minds
We were so under the brine
We were so vacant

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I wish everybody knew what's so great about you
Oh, but your love is such a swamp, you don't think before you jump
And I said I wouldn't get sucked in

I won't be vacant anymore, I won't be waiting anymore
I won't be vacant anymore, I won't be waiting anymore
I won't be vacant anymore, I won't be waiting anymore
I won't be vacant anymore, I won't be waiting anymore

Jenny, I am in trouble
Can't get these thoughts out of me
Jenny, I'm seeing double
I know this changes everything
(It takes a lot of pain to pick me up) Jenny, I am in trouble
Can't get these thoughts out of me
(It takes a lot of rain in the cup) Jenny, I'm seeing double
I know this changes everything
It takes a lot of pain to pick me up
It takes a lot of rain in the cup
(It takes a lot of pain to pick me up) Baby, you gave me bad ideas
Baby, you left me sad and high

Graceless
Is there a powder to erase this?
Is it dissolvable and tasteless?
You can't imagine how I hate this
Graceless
I'm trying, but I'm graceless

Don't have the sunny side to face this
I am invisible and weightless
You can't imagine how I hate this
Graceless
I'm trying, but I'm gone

Through the glass again, just come and find me
God loves everybody, don't remind me
I took the medicine then I went missing
Just let me hear your voice, just let me listen
Graceless

I figured out how to be faithless
But it would be a shame to waste this
You can't imagine how I hate this
Graceless
I'm trying, but I'm gone

Through the glass again, just come and find me
God loves everybody, don't remind me
I took the medicine then I went missing
Just let me hear your voice, just let me listen

All of my thoughts of you
Bullets through rotten fruit
Come apart at the seams
Now I know what dying means
I am not my rosy self
Left my roses on my shelf
Take the white ones, they're my favorites
It's the side effects that save us

Grace

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Put the flowers you find in a vase
If you're dead in the mind it'll brighten the place
Don't let them die on the vine, it's a waste

Grace

There's a science to walking through windows
There's a science to walking through windows
There's a science to walking through windows
There's a science to walking through windows without you

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I'm in the city you hated, my eyes are falling
Counting the clicks with the living dead, my eyes are red
I'm in the crush and I hate it, my eyes are falling
I'm having trouble inside my skin, I'll try to keep my skeletons in

Is it weird to be back in the South?
And can they even tell that the city girl was ever there or anywhere?
I'm having trouble inside my skin, I'll try to keep my skeletons in
I'll be a friend and a fuck up and everything
But I'll never be anything you ever want me to be

I keep coming back here where everything slipped
But I will not spill my guts out
I keep coming back here where everything slipped
But I will not spill my guts out

SLIPPED

I don't need any help to be breakable, believe me
I know nobody else who can laugh along to any kind of joke
I won't need any help to be lonely when you leave me
It'll be easy to cover, gather my skeletons far inside
It'll be summer in Dallas before I realize
I don't want you to grieve but I want you to sympathize, all right?
I can't blame you for losing your mind for a little while, so did I
I don't want you to change but I want you to recognize that I
It'll be easy to cover, gather your skeletons far inside
It'll be summer in Dallas before you realize
That I'll never be anything you ever want me to be

I keep coming back here where everything slipped
But I will not spill my guts out
I keep coming back here where everything slipped
But I will not spill my guts out

I am good, I am grounded
Davy says that I look taller
But I can't get my head around it
I keep feeling smaller and smaller

I need my girl
I need my girl

Remember when you lost your shit and
Drove the car into the garden?
You got out and said, "I'm sorry"
To the vines and no one saw it

I need my girl
I need my girl

I'm under the gun again
I know I was a 45%er then
I know I was a lot of things
But I am good, I am grounded
Davy says that I look taller
But I can't get my head around it
I keep feeling smaller and smaller

I need my girl
I need my girl

There's some things that I should never
Laugh about in front of family
I tried to call you from the party
It's full of punks and cannonballers

I need my girl
I need my girl

I'm under the gun again
I know I was a 45%er then
I know I was a lot of things
But I am good, I am grounded
Davy says that I look taller
I can't get my head around it
I keep feeling smaller and smaller
I keep feeling smaller and smaller
I keep feeling smaller and smaller

I survived the dinner then the air went thinner
I retired to the briars by the pool, it gets so loud
If I die this instant taken from a distance
They will probably list it down among other things 'round town

I got my rings around me
I got baby to pound me
I see stars and go weak
My baby cries and lays me down
In the skies over black Venice
I see eyes of a white menace
The surprise of the week
Is that I never heard the sound

All the L.A. women fall asleep while swimming
I got paid to fish them out and then one day I lost the job
And I cried a little, I got fried a little
Then she laid her eyes on mine and she said, "Babe, you're better off"

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I got baby to pound me
I see stars and go weak
My baby cries and lays me down
In the skies over black Venice
I see eyes of a white menace
The surprise of the week
Is that I never heard the sound

Tunnel vision lights my way
Leave a little life today

As the free fall advances, I'm the moron who dances
I was teething on roses, I was in guns and noses
Under the withering white skies of humiliation
Under the withering white skies of humiliation

Tunnel vision lights my way
Leave a little life today
Tunnel vision lights my way
Leave a little life today

She wore blue velvet
Said she can't help it
She wore blue velvet
Said she can't help it
She wore blue velvet
Said she can't help it

I couldn't find quiet, I went out in the rain
I was just soaking my head to unrattle my brain
Somebody said you disappeared in a crowd
I didn't understand then, I don't understand now

Am I the one you think about
When you're sitting in your fainting chair, drinking pink rabbits?
Am I the one you think about
When you're sitting in your fainting chair, drinking pink rabbits?
And everybody was gone
You were staring down the street ‘cause you were tryin' not to crack up

It wasn't like a rain, it was more like a sea
I didn't ask for this pain, it just came over me
Well, I love a storm, but I don't love lightning
All the waters coming up so fast, it's frightening

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I was solid gold, I was in the fight
I was coming back from what seemed like a ruin
I couldn't see you coming so far
I just turn around and there you are

I'm so surprised you wanna dance with me now
I was just getting used to living life without you around
I'm so surprised you wanna dance with me now
You always said I held you way too high off the ground
You didn't see me, I was falling apart
I was a white girl in a crowd of white girls in a park
You didn't see me, I was falling apart
I was a television version of a person with a broken heart
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I was a television version of a person with a broken heart

And everybody was gone
You were staring down the street ‘cause you were trying not to crack up
And Bona Drag is still on
Now I only think about Los Angeles when the sound kicks out
Now I only think about Los Angeles when the sound kicks out

You said it would be painless, a needle in a doll
You said it would be painless, it wasn't that at all
You said it would be painless, a needle in a doll
You said it would be painless, it wasn't that at all (When the sound kicks out)
You said it would be painless, a needle in a doll (When the sound kicks out)
You said it would be painless, it wasn't that at all

I can see the glowing lights
I can see them every night
Really not that far away
I could be there in a day
I wonder if you live there still
I kinda think you always will
If I tried, you'd probably be
Hard to find

What I feel now about you then
I'm just glad I can't explain
You're beautiful and close and young
In those ways we were the same
There's a lot I've not forgotten
And I let go of other things
If I tried, they'd probably be
Hard to find

They can all
Just kiss off into the air
They can all
Just kiss off into the air

I don't know why we had to lose
The ones who took so little space
We're still waiting for the ease
To cover what we can't erase
I'm not holding out for you
I'm still watching for the signs
If I tried, you'd probably be
Hard to find

They can all
Just kiss off into the air
They can all
Just kiss off into the air

SLEEP WELL BEAST

You said we're not so tied together
What did you mean?
Meet me in the stairwell in a second
For a glass of gin

Nobody else will be there then
Nobody else will be there
Nobody else will be there then
Nobody else will be there

Can you remind me the building you live in?
I'm on my way
It's getting cold again but New York's gorgeous
It's a subway day

Nobody else will be there then
Nobody else will be there
Nobody else will be there then
Nobody else will be there

Why are we still out here holding our coats?
We look like children
Goodbyes always take us half an hour
Can't we just go home?

Hey baby, where were you back there
When I needed your help?
I thought that if I stuck my neck out
I'd get you out of your shell
My faith is sick and my skin is thin as ever
I need you alone
Goodbyes always take us half an hour
Can't we just go home?

Nobody else will be there then
Nobody else will be there
Nobody else will be there then
Nobody else will be there

I don't need you, I don't need you
Besides, I barely ever see you anymore
And when I do it feels like you're only halfway there
Young mothers love me, even ghosts of girlfriends
Call from Cleveland, they will meet me anytime and anywhere

The day I die, the day I die
Where will we be?
The day I die, the day I die
Where will we be?

Don't do this, I don't do this to you
Don't expect me to enjoy it
'Cause I really don't have the courage not to turn the volume up inside my ears
For years I used to put my head inside the speakers
In the hallway when you get too high and talk forever

The day I die, the day I die
Where will we be?
The day I die, the day I die
Where will we be?
The day I die, the day I die
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The day I die, the day I die
Where will we be?

I get a little punchy with the vodka just like my great uncle Valentine Jester did
But he had to deal with those people like you who made no goddamn common sense
I'd rather walk all the way home right now than to spend one more second in this place
I'm exactly like you Valentine, just come outside and leave with me

Let's just get high enough to see our problems
Let's just get high enough to see our father's houses

The day I die, the day I die
Where will we be?
The day I die, the day I die
Where will we be?
The day I die, the day I die
Where will we be?
The day I die, the day I die
Where will we be?

WALK IT BACK

I'm always thinking about useless things
I'm always checking out
I'm always mothering myself to bits
I'm always checking out
Forget it
Nothing I change changes anything
I won't let it
I won't let it ruin my hair

I only take up a little of the collapsing space
I better cut this off, don't wanna fuck it up
I only take up a little of the collapsing space
I better cut this off, don't wanna fuck up the place
I better walk it back, walk it back
Oh, I better walk it back, walk it back, walk it back, walk it back

I try to save it for a rainy day
It's raining all the time
Until everything is less insane
I'm mixing weed with wine
Forget it
Nothing I change changes anything
I won't let it
I won't let it ruin my hair

I only take up a little of the collapsing space
I better cut this off, don't wanna fuck it up
I only take up a little of the collapsing space
I better cut this off, don't wanna fuck it up
I only take up a little of the collapsing space
I better cut this off, don't wanna fuck up the place
I better walk it back, walk it back
Oh, I better walk it back, walk it back, walk it back, walk it back
Oh, I better walk it back, walk it back, walk it back, walk it back

"People like you are still living in what we call the reality-based community. You believe that solutions emerge from your judicious study of discernible reality. That's not the way the world really works anymore. We're an empire now, and when we act, we create our own reality. And while you are studying that reality–judiciously, as you will–we'll act again, creating other new realities, which you can study too, and that's how things will sort out. We're history's actors, and you, all of you, will be left to just study what we do. Apparently, that was written on a whiteboard with a red sharpie in the Roosevelt bedroom, sometime around Christmas 2007. Yeah, so I can't stay."

I can't stay
And I can't come back
I just keep awake
And I won't react
I'll walk through Lawrencetown
Along the tracks
My own body in my arms
But I won't collapse
So don't go dark on me
It's all alright
If I'm gonna get back to you someday
I'll need you light

Maybe I listen more than you think
And I can tell that somebody sold you
We said we'd never let anyone in
We said we'd only die of lonely secrets

The system only dreams in total darkness
Why are you hiding from me?
We're in a different kind of thing now
All night you're talking to God

I thought that this would all work out after a while
Now you're **saying** that I'm asking for too much attention
Also, no other faith is light enough for this place
We said we'd only die of lonely secrets

The system only dreams in total darkness
Why are you hiding from me?
We're in a different kind of thing now
All night you're talking to God

And I can't explain it
Any other, any other way
I cannot explain it
Any other, any other way

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We're in a different kind of thing now
All night you're talking to God

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I can't explain it
Any other, any other way
I can't explain it
Any other, any other way

Crushed on the train, we'd stand by the window
Sweat through the hot parts of June
We hugged it out and ducked it on purpose
Nothing else I needed to do

I was born to beg for you

Later that year in the back of the Warsaw
I thought you and I might be okay
Spinning and quiet, you leaned in against me
Said, "I'm gonna have it all some day."

I was born to beg for you
I was born to beg for you

I'd cry, crawl
I'd do it all
Teakettle love, I'd do anything
I'd cry, crawl
I'd do it all
Teakettle love, I'd do anything

New York is older and changing its skin again
It dies every ten years and then it begins again
If your heart was in it, I'd stay a minute
I'm dying to be taken apart

I was born to beg for you
I was born to beg for you

I'd cry, crawl
I'd do it all
Teakettle love, I'd do anything
I'd cry, crawl
I'd do it all
Teakettle love, I'd do anything

Oh my Mother, let your daughter dance with me
I'd like to spin her wild around the cottonwood tree
There's something about her eyes
I think her roots are rotten
This must be the reason she wears her hair up in knots, oh no

This is so embarrassing
Ah, we're pissing fits
Crying on our doorsteps in t-shirts loose and ripped
Some of them so out of style I cannot save them
They'll just get whatever my salvation gave them

Keep the weed next to the bed
Light the water, check for lead
Dim the lights a little lower
Hide your backbone, shrug your shoulders
Give the gift that fits your head
You have to get this turtleneck

The poor, they leave their cellphones in the bathrooms of the rich
And when they try to turn them off, everything they switch to
Is just another man in shitty suits
Everybody's cheering for
This must be the genius we've been waiting years for, oh no

This is so embarrassing
Ah, we're pissing fits
Crying on our doorsteps in t-shirts loose and ripped
Some of them so out of style I cannot save them
They'll just get whatever my salvation gave them

Keep the weed next to the bed
Light the water, check for lead
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You've been sleeping for miles
So what did you see?
Here the sky's been falling white flowers
And there's ice in all the trees

I've been tapping the table
I've been hoping to drink
There's a line that goes all the way
From my childhood to you

Can't you find a way?
Can't you find a way?
You are in this too
Can't you find a way?

I've been trying to see where you're going, but you're so hard to follow
And I don't think we're getting anywhere any time soon
We have so much to cover, I don't know what I'm expecting
You just keep saying so many things that I wish you won't

Can't you find a way?
Can't you find a way?
You are in this too
Can't you find a way?

I've been talking about you to myself 'cause there's nobody else and I want what I want
And I want everything
I want everything
I've been talking about you to myself 'cause there's nobody else and I want what I want
And I want everything
I want everything

Can't you find a way?
Can't you find a way?
You are in this too
Can't you find a way?

It's so easy to set off
The molecules and the caplets
They all have something against me
Nothing I do makes me feel different

This one's like your sister's best friends
In a bath calling you to join them
Can't avoid them
This one's like your mother's arms
When she was young and sunburned in the '80s
It lasts forever

The more level they have me
The more I cannot stand me
I have helpless friendships
And bad taste in liquids

This one's like the wilderness without the world
I'm gonna miss those long nights
With the windows open
I keep re-reading the same lines
Always up at 5 a.m. every morning
Like a baby

It's just the lights coming on
It's just the lights coming on

I have no positions
No point of view or vision
I'm just trying to stay in touch with
Anything I'm still in touch with

The sky is getting white
I can't find a lighter anywhere
I'm going crazy, but I'm not crazy
Put your heels against the wall
I swear you got a little bit taller since I saw you
I'll still destroy you

It's just the lights coming on
It's just the lights coming on

GUILTY PARTY

You're sleeping night and day
How'd you do it?
Me, I am wide awake
Feeling defeated

I say your name
I say I'm sorry
I know it's not working
I'm no holiday
It's nobody's fault
No guilty party
We just got nothing
Nothing left to say

Another year gets away
Another summer of love
I don't know why I care
We miss it every summer

I say your name
I say I'm sorry
I'm the one doing this
There's no other way
It's nobody's fault
No guilty party
I just got nothing
Nothing left to say

It all, all catches up to me
It all, all catches up to me
All the time

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All the time

I was a worm, I was a creature
I'd get on the ground the second I'd see you
You cannot command your love

I wasn't a catch, I wasn't a keeper
I was walking around like I was the one who found dead John Cheever
Hand in glove

So blame it on me, I really don't care
It's a foregone conclusion

I'd see you in stations and on invitations
You'd fall into rivers with friends on the weekends
Innocent skies above

Carin at the liquor store, I can't wait to see you
I'm walking around like I was the one who found dead John Cheever
In the house of love

So blame it on me, I really don't care
It's a foregone conclusion

It wasn't so bad, I wasn't that sick
Got taken by love, I wasn't that quick
Foregone conclusion
It's gonna be different after tonight
You're gonna see me in a different light
It's a foregone conclusion

So blame it on me, I really don't care
It's a foregone conclusion
I'm already seeing the stars in the air
It's a foregone conclusion

The first time I saw you, you were walking out
I wanted to ask if you could stay
But you were on something with your friends around
There was nothing I could say

But I'm gonna keep you in love with me for a while
I'm gonna keep you in love with me

The next time I saw you, you were breaking down
A million years had gone away
You looked right at me, and I just turned around
There was still nothing I could say

But I'm gonna keep you in love with me for a while
I'm gonna keep you in love with me
I'm gonna keep you in love with me for a while
I'm gonna keep you in love with me

I have dreams of anonymous castrati
Singing to us from the trees
I have dreams of the first man and first lady
Singing to us from the sea

So I'm gonna keep you in love with me for a while
I'm gonna keep you in love with me
I'm gonna keep you in love with me for a while
I'm gonna keep you in love with me

I have dreams of anonymous castrati
Singing to us from the trees
I have dreams of the first man and first lady
Singing to us from the sea

We've been stuck out here in the hallway for way, way too long
I'm at a loss, I'm at a loss, I'm losing grip, the fabric's ripped
Go back to sleep, let me drive, let me think, let me figure it out
How to get us back to the place where we were when we first went out

I'll tell you about it some time, the time we left
I'll tell you about it some time, the time we left

Losing parents, losing sense, I don't know what we should do
Became a father when I was still a son, she brings it out in you
See you at the end of the party with your wild white eyes
Filling up a teacup with gin in your secret postcard life

I'll tell you about it some time, the time we left
I'll tell you about it some time, the time we left
I'll tell you about it some time, the time we left
I'll tell you about it some time, the time we left

We leave our saviors wrapped around the necks of new machines
Or at the ends of threads that hold their bodies to the ground
And then the men who look a little like they feel like me
Offered them some bottled water, then they cut ‘em down

I came back to see if you were here, but everything was different
Your voice was low, you blended in, I could barely hear you speak
You were always my last second bright spot in the distance
Thought that you were something good that I would always keep

I'll still destroy you someday, sleep well, beast
You as well, beast
I'll still destroy you someday, sleep well, beast
You as well, beast
I'll still destroy you someday, sleep well, beast
You as well, beast
I'll still destroy you someday, sleep well, beast
You as well, beast

I AM EASY TO FIND

YOU HAD YOUR SOUL WITH YOU

You had your soul with you
I was in no mood
Drift away and I could forget
I had only one last feather left
I wore it on the island of my head
I had only one thing to do and I couldn't do it yet

You felt like heaven stood up in you
You said love fills you out
It moves you from the skeleton and pulls you around
I got it worse than anyone else
And I just can't find a way to forgive myself
I had only one thing left and I couldn't see it yet

I have owed it to my heart every word I've said
You have no idea how hard I died when you left
If I yield to my trances, will I get up close again?
I had only one thing to do and I couldn't do it yet
I had only one thing left and I couldn't see it yet

You had your soul with you
I was in no mood
You had your soul with you
I was in no mood

I used to fall asleep to you talking to me
I don't listen to anything now
Nothing to do with us
I'm just so tired of thinking about everything
I'm not afraid of being alone
I just don't know what to do with my time
Between you and me I thought
It would all last a little while longer

But I'm learning to lie here in the quiet light
While I watch the sky go from black to grey
Learning how not to die inside a little every time
I think about you and wonder if you are awake

You don't know anything
I think about you way more than anything else
I'm not that spiritual
I still go out all the time to department stores
Everything I need but none of this
Is getting me anywhere good
Between you and me I still fall apart
At the thought of your voice

But I'm learning to lie here in the quiet light
While I watch the sky go from black to grey
Learning how not to die inside a little every time
I think about you and wonder if you are awake
And I'm learning to live without the heartache it gives me
Nothing I wouldn't do for another few minutes
Learning how not to cry every time
There's another sad unbearable morning
But sometimes there's nothing I can do

I can't help it
It's you that I think I hear in the quiet light
Am I crazy?
You're nowhere near me, guess I don't know what I'm saying
Just call me
I'll come to where you are alone in the quiet light
I'm always thinking you're behind me
And I turn around and you're always there

But I'm learning to lie here in the quiet light
While I watch the sky go from black to grey
Learning how not to die inside a little every time
I think about you and wonder if you are awake
And I'm learning to live without the heartache it gives me
Nothing I wouldn't do for another few minutes
Learning how not to cry every time
There's another sad unbearable morning
But sometimes there's nothing I can do

I'm your hospital
I'm your silver cross
Tell me what to be
Tell me how to talk
Patti wasn't lonely
Robert wasn't lost
Put me on a rope
Take me for a walk

Roman holiday
Every time it rains
Roman holiday
I'll take away your shame

I'm not afraid to tell you what I want
I'm not afraid of anything, I want it all
Never leave me out here for too long
Put me in your movie, pin me to your wall

Roman holiday
Every time it rains
Roman holiday
We're all Rainey anyway

She said, "Please think the best of him"
Please think the best of me
There are police in the museum

Roman holiday
Every time it rains
Roman holiday
We don't feel the pain

She said, "Please think the best of him"
Please think the best of me
There are police in the museum
She said please

It's almost like you're not afraid of anything I do
How I want you here
You don't know what it's like to be around you
I still got my fear

It's the way you say yes when I ask you to marry me
You don't know what you are doing
Do you think you can carry me
Over the threshold
Over and over again until oblivion?
It's the way that you're gonna stop needing to tell me
You want me as much as I want you to
Tell me I'm over the threshold
And everything's gonna be totally okay until oblivion

I still got my fear
I still got my fear

It's still always you every morning I think of no matter what
How I want you here
I know I am easy to find but you know it's never me
I still got my fear

It's like a tide in a city lifts me and carries me around
And oh, my mind is made up out of nothing now
If nothing scares you about me
And you'll never put me down
Oh, my mind is made up out of nothing now

You won't walk away, won't you?
You don't walk away, don't you?
You won't walk away, won't you?
You don't walk away, don't you?

I still got my fear
I still got my fear
I still got my fear
I still got my fear

Something's leaving me behind
It's just a feeling in my mind
What was it you always said?
We're connected by a thread
If we're ever far apart
I'll still feel the pull of you

I know, I get it
I'm either at the bottom of a well or spinning into somebody's outdoor glass furniture
Is this how I lose it? Everything at once? Carried to space by a dolphin balloon?
Whatever magical thinking you need to hang around your neck, right?
Maybe we'll end up the ones eating chocolate chip pancakes next to a charity swimming pool
The next time I see you will probably be at some quote unquote “upscale tropical funeral”
I dream that's what Nina Simone said to her lover John Glenn when he left

Maybe we'll talk it out inside a car
With rain falling around us
We all know this rain is hard to take
I know I can get attached and then unattached
To my own versions of others
My view of you comes back and drops away

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It's just that I'm still here and there's still everything you don't know
Oh, how often I dream about you
You don't know how I need you
You got me all wrong
If I said I was sorry for always being underwater, would you stay?
You can take me
There's no difference between you and me
Tell me what you would say if I said that to you
I get you
You're not like anything
Do you hear me?
Just be here
Don't let me get in the way of you finding everything
What was it?
The story you told me?
Why am I so hard to be around?
Here at the approach of the end of everything

Sometimes I don't think I'm really around here half the time
Sometimes I don't think I'm really around here at all
Sometimes I don't think I'm really around here half the time
Sometimes I don't think I'm really around here at all

Something's leaving me behind
It's just a feeling in my mind
What was is it you always said?
We're connected by a thread
If we ever get far apart
I'll still feel the pull of you

I'm your angel when it rains, dear
Heaven picks the place
I'm a child in that way, dear
Please do it again

Hey Rosey, I think I know just what the feeling is

I was hoping you wouldn't see me like this
I hate to fall before your feet again
I'm the rocks they weigh down the angels with
Help me see it won't always be like this

Hey Rosey, I think I know just what the feeling is
Hey Rosey, I think I know just what the feeling is

You said you got to let me escape myself
You said I don't know how not to want something else
If I held your hand again
Would you be here down on your knees like this?

Hey Rosey, I think I know just what the feeling is
Hey Rosey, I think I know just what the feeling is

I will love you like there's razors in it
And she'll love you like a radiant flame
There's never really any safety in it
Please do it again

There's never really any safety in it

How long have we been here?
Am I ever coming down?
I need to find some lower thinking if I'm going to stick around
I'm not going anywhere
Who do I think I'm kidding?
I'm still standing in the same place where you left me standing

I am easy to find

"Towers to the skies
An academy of lies"
You never were much of a New Yorker
It wasn't in your eyes
If you ever come around this way again you'll see me
Standing in the sunlight In the middle of the street

I am easy to find
I am easy to find

There's a million little battles that I'm never gonna win anyway
I'm still waiting for you every night with ticker tape, ticker tape

There's a million little battles that I'm never gonna win anyway
I'm still waiting for you every night with ticker tape, ticker tape

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I'm still waiting for you every night with ticker tape, ticker tape

WHERE IS HER HEAD

Is she outside?
Is she looking out?
Is she standing up?
Where are her hands?
Where are her eyes?
Where are her feet?
Where is her head?
Is she outside?
Is she looking out?
Is she standing up?
Where are her hands?
Where are her eyes?
Where is her head?
Is she looking out?
Is she standing up?
Where are her hands?
Where are her eyes?
Where are her feet?
Where is her head?
Is she outside?
Is she looking out?
Is she standing up?
Where are her hands?
Where are her eyes?
Where is her head?
What is she thinking?
Who is she sleeping?
What did she say?
Is she looking out?
Is she standing up?
Where are her hands?
Where are her eyes?
Where is her head?
Is she looking out?
Is she sleeping?

I think I'm hittin' a wall
I hate loving you as much as I do
I think I'm runnin' away
The dust storm you bring
I can't take another day
I think I'm hittin' a wall, I think I'm hittin' a wall
I hate my looks, I hate 'em all
I think I'm runnin' away
The storm you bring
Can't take another day
I think I'm hittin' a wall, I think I'm hittin' a wall
I hate loving you as much as I do
I think I'm runnin' away, I think I'm runnin' away
I think I hate my looks, I hate 'em all
I think I'm hittin' a wall, I think I'm…

Is she outside?
Is she looking out?
Is she standing up?
Where are her hands?
Where are her eyes?
Where are her feet?
Where is her head?
Is she outside?
Is she looking out?
Is she standing up?

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Where are her hands?
Where are her eyes?
Where is her head?
What is she thinking?
Who is she sleeping?
Where are her hands? And I will not come back the same
Where are her eyes?
Where is her head?
What is she thinking?
Is she sleeping? And I will not come back the same
What did she say?
Where are her eyes? And I will not come back the same
Where is her head?
What is she thinking?
Who is she sleeping?
What did she say? And I will not come back the same
Is she going out?
Is she looking out?
Is she standing up?
Where are her hands?
Where are her eyes?
Where are her feet?
Where is her head?
Is she outside?
Is she looking out?
Is she standing up?
Where are her hands?
Where are her eyes?
Where is her head?
What is she thinking?
Is she sleeping?
What did she say?
Is she going out?
Is she going out?
Is she going out?

I am not in Kansas
I can't slow down and I can't stand it
Broadcast News into Hallelujah
Hanne Darboven had a great idea

Make a list, write it down
Shave your head, draw a crown
Move back home with mom and dad
The pool is drained and they're not there

My bedroom is a stranger's gun room
Ohio's in a downward spiral
I can't go back there anymore
Since alt-right opium went viral

I am not in Kansas
Where I am, I don't know where
Take me for a walk and blame this on the water dripping off the spear

You even get to wear a dress
And feed his flesh to wayward daughters
Everyone is so impressed
Teachers, neighbors, mothers, fathers

First Testament was really great
The sequel was incredible
Like the Godfathers or the first two Strokes
Every document's indelible

Infidels and Heartbreak Beats
Smidges of bad ecstasy
I must have left it in my pocket
With my Christianity in my rocket

I'm binging hard on Annette Bening
And listening to R.E.M. again
Begin The Begin, over and over
Begin The Begin, over and over

I am not in Kansas
Where I am, I don't know where
Take me for a walk and blame this on the water dripping off the spear

If the sadness of life makes you tired
And the failures of man make you sigh
You can look to the time soon arriving
When this noble experiment winds down and calls it a day

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My shadow's getting shorter
I'm a child at the border
Oh Godmother, you can't ignore us
There isn't anybody else left to love us

I wanted you when I was a child
I raked the leaves and I started fires
Now I'm reading whatever you give me
It's half your fault so half forgive me

I'm way behind in reflex math
Biphasic sleepless emotional crashes
Two days into one, shove 'em together
I always wake up way before the weather

My mother needs an army
But I'm leaving home and I'm scared that I won't
Have the balls to punch a Nazi
Father, what is wrong with me?

I am not in Kansas
Where I am, I don't know where
Take me for a walk and blame this on the water dripping off the spear

Oil droppers, rubber gloves
I raked the leaves, I lit 'em up
I read whatever it is you give me
It's half your fault so half forgive me

At the real Neil Armstrong taught me
To play cutthroat at my Aunt Angela's house
While my real dad's skate got caught in the ice
And he drove us home with a spiral fracture

It was then I was enlightened
Roberta Flack the whole way home
I was entirely unfrightened
Dozing off and eternally unalone

The flowers cover over everything
They cover over everything
The flowers cover over everything

I am not in Kansas
Where I am, I don't know where
Take me for a walk and blame this on the water dripping off the spear

Time has come now to stop being human
Time to find a new creature to be
Be a fish or a weed or a sparrow
For the Earth has grown tired and all of your time has expired

All the gardens are sprouting with flowers
All the treetops are bursting with birds
And the people all know that it's over
They lay down their airs and they hang up their tiresome words

Lay down in the doorway in front of me
And make yourself impossible for me to leave
I remember a kid in the water
I remember a world on fire
I was just coming out of it
It was so hot all summer

I get so far so fast
I get so far so fast

The storm, the blackout, the quiet sea
You went running right into it
Away from me
We have friends in good houses
We have kids in the trees
Now I have nothing but sleepless nights about everything

I get so far so fast
I get so far so fast

Don't you know someday somebody will come and find you?
If you don't know who you are anymore, they will remind you
We don't see you around here anymore, it's okay
I will say your name out loud and you will be home

There are so many things that drive me crazy
What you think I am, it's never been me
Hearing you talk always saves me
Can you get away and talk to me?

(I get so far so fast)
(I get so far so fast)
(I get so far so fast)

Her father's voice
Her mother's heartbeat
The orange color inside her eyelids
The sunlight on her skin
Dust swirls in strange light
The feeling of the rug on her body
The hum from the speakers
She learns how to lie
Her father's voice
Her mother's heartbeat
The orange color inside her eyelids
The sunlight on her skin
Dust swirls in strange light
The feeling of the rug on her body
The hum from the speakers
She learns how to lie
She learns how to lie
She learns how to lie
She learns
The feeling of anger
The end of her street
Time in buildings
Time in cars
Could she run forever?
Could she run forever?
Dust swirls in strange light
Dust swirls in strange light
Dust swirls in strange light
Dust swirls in strange light
Dust swirls in strange light

I like the old way, I thought I was hanging in there
You held back the worst rain from my shoulders then

What are we going through
You and me?
Every other house on the street's burning
What are we going through?
Wait and see
Days of brutalism and hairpin turns

Your nervous throat clicks and my spirit swims right to the hook
You go quiet and leave me in the wake of a terrifying look

What are we going through
You and me?
What is it you want me to be learning?
We're always arguing
About the same things
Days of brutalism and hairpin turns

Say it like I was right in the room there
(And I'll keep my eyes open) Say it like your head was on my shoulder

What are we going through
You and me?
Every other house on the street's burning
What are we going through?
Wait and see
Days of brutalism and hairpin turns

What are we going through
You and me?
What is it you want me to be learning?
We're always arguing
About the same things
Days of brutalism and hairpin turns

(And I'll keep my eyes open)
(And I'll keep my eyes open)

Rylan, you should try to get some sun
You remind me of everyone
Rylan, did you break your mother's heart?
Every time you tried to play your part

Is it easy to keep so quiet?
Everybody loves a quiet child
Underwater, you're almost free
If you wanna be alone, come with me

Rylan, we can take the quick way out
We can turn blank white in a blank white house
Say that you're a pervert, you're a vulture
Don't you wanna be popular culture?

Is it easy to keep so quiet?
Everybody loves a quiet child
Underwater, you're almost free
If you wanna be alone, come with me
Is it easy to live inside yourself?
All the little kids are high and hazy
Everybody's got nowhere to go
Everybody wants to be amazing

Rylan, California's rotten
Dress light blue to be forgotten
Eat your pearls on Sunday morning
Keep your conversations boring
Stay with me among the strangers
Change your mind and nothing changes
Don't let show any emotion
When you climb into the ocean

Rylan, you should try to get some sun
There's a little bit of hell in everyone
Rylan, you should try to get some sun
You remind me of everyone
Rylan, you should try to get some sun
There's a little bit of hell in everyone
Rylan, you should try to get some sun

LIGHT YEARS

You were waiting outside for me in the sun
Laying down to soak it all in before we had to run
I was always ten feet behind you from the start
Didn't know you were gone 'til we were in the car

Oh, the glory of it all was lost on me
'Til I saw how hard it'd be to reach you
And I would always be
Lightyears
Lightyears away from you
Lightyears
Lightyears away from you

I thought I saw your mother last weekend in the park
It could've been anybody, it was after dark
Everyone was lighting up in the shadows alone
You could've been right there next to me, and I'd have never known

Oh, the glory of it all was lost on me
'Til I saw how hard it'd be to reach you
And I would always be
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