

## Unwelcome Guest

Open up the wounds throw salt inside  
Stitch it back up this is world war nine  
Meet me out where the fireworks explode on the fourth of July  
We'll stare out as the night sky lights up convinced this was not all in vain  
And celebrate that which starts and ends in a flame  
Now my mind turns around with the ceiling fan  
And outside the rain fills the garbage cans  
And each day, I'm filling up with regrets  
But I'm not giving up yet

She lives with the unwelcome guest  
Banished with his soul's unrest  
And sleeps in the room of a child that was never conceived  
Now there's footprints that lead off to nowhere  
Through a sandbox without any sand  
And a wind that blows through a cupped and empty hand  
But I found Shakespeare sitting in the park  
I heard he comes here to drink after dark  
And now he cries crushing out his last cigarette  
I'm not giving up yet

Through the visions we are hypnotized  
Falling down upon us soft as veneer  
Invisible to the naked eye  
Looking down this hollow sphere  
Down this hollow sphere

Your letter never gets to me  
I curse old-fashioned tragedies  
While screaming towards the darkness at an infinite speed  
Like a pilgrim on a lost crusade who can't tell a friend from a thief  
Holding on to what he can't believe  
Now it's raining bullets on my street  
And rivers rise above my feet  
And I know I would drown just to settle this debt  
But I'm not giving up yet

## Vultures

Back when he used to call me Sadie that's my man  
Making desert angels in the sand  
And I believed in him

And all the words that flew out of his mouth like butterflies  
Turned to hungry vultures in the sky  
To punish the sinners

He would love to see them fall  
As the splatter hit the walls  
He sings a line from one of John Lennon's songs

Promises made with every lie torn from the past  
"You're just another actor in this cast"  
He said, walking away from me

So I'll confess - if you say I'll live, I'll say his name  
Then you can have a shoulder for the pains  
Of all humanity

'Cause I would love to see him crawl  
Through the bloody carpeted halls  
And sing a line from one of John Lennon's songs

## Goodbye Lonely

Miles and miles of road bend  
Slow unwinding through the night  
Moving, always fearing  
Like a fugitive for his life

Some say the past will always find you  
Just like a mirror reflecting everything behind you

Goodbye  
Goodbye lonely  
Goodbye lonely yesterday

Wait child you'll be set free  
From the troubles  
That weigh you down  
She'll take you, and she'll hold you  
When there's no one else left to be found

When someone you love deserts you  
It only hurts if you can't forgive the one that hurt you

Goodbye  
Goodbye lonely  
Goodbye lonely yesterday  
No more  
Shall you haunt me  
Goodbye lonely yesterday

Brightly in the night sky  
She's a star now - won't you see her shine  
She left this world for better  
She will meet you  
She will greet you on the other side

Goodbye  
Goodbye lonely  
Goodbye lonely yesterday  
No more  
Shall you haunt me  
Goodbye lonely yesterday

## Lucky Money

They'll run those tests on me again  
It's a funny little thing you do  
I stayed up late and watched the UK win  
It's a funny little thing you do  
My oh my you sure look pretty tonight  
It's something so damn beautiful  
But I'm feeling so unusual tonight

You try so hard and then you die  
It's a funny little life we lose  
I'll make you a mix tape of my favorite songs  
I'll mail it all the way to you  
There's lucky money, pick it up off the floor  
It's something so unusual  
I'm feeling so unusual

La, la, la you can't explain it  
La, la, la  
La, la, la, I can't explain I can't explain it  
I can't explain, I can't explain it

And I don't even know where I am  
To save you from this nightmare

They'll run those tests on me again  
It's a funny little thing you do  
They'll run those tests on me again  
It's a funny little thing you do

La la la la

## Cheerleader's Parade

Stoic in her picture frame  
Quiet when they say her name  
Sometimes she pretends  
She's someone else  
But she is still herself

When she fades, she cracks  
Does she ever get tired of that?  
A smile don't always hide the pain

She moves unnoticed through the crowd  
The home-team's winning, the fans are proud  
In the streets they're marching  
In the cheerleader's parade  
But she's so far away

She fades, she cracks  
Does she ever get tired of that?  
A smile don't always hide the pain  
Mona Lisa

Some days I wish a giant wave would come  
And wash away this stain  
And I will go with it and the blame  
She carries with her name

She fades, she cracks  
Does she ever get tired of that?  
A smile won't always hide the pain  
Mona Lisa

## Shoot to Kill

On the day of deception  
Camouflaged like a whore  
Did someone steal your reflection?  
Even you can't be sure

On the day of deception  
You won't know whom to trust  
In the light they conceal themselves  
While your eyes fight to adjust  
You'll adjust

Since the night of conception  
And the day of being born  
I never once thought of dying  
I would live forever I was sure

Until the day of deception  
She had something to say  
Now the words just remind me of  
My weak and mortal ways

So shake me right down  
From the tree to the ground  
And shoot out the lights  
And now the kill the sound

## Growing Up Too Fast

They're moving the Jones' today  
They've started a new life they say  
They're leaving this city  
Lately it's bringing them down

Everyone's living outside of town  
It's hard to believe what they've found  
A place in the suburbs  
It's tall and it's big and it's brown

But I remember nothing here  
One whole year ago  
How'd they get here?  
I don't know

It's just another neighbourhood  
It won't be the last  
It's just another neighbourhood  
Growing up too fast

Sammy is out on his bike  
And Billy is home for the night  
And Julie is crying  
For some boy that she'll never love

Their dreams are like hot apple pie  
And daddy's just living to die  
Welcome to the neighbourhood  
Everyone's waving goodbye

The lights go out  
The power lines  
Tumble to the street  
We could meet again  
Wait and see

In some other neighbourhood  
It won't be the last  
In some other neighbourhood  
Growing up too fast

## One Week Later

You lay down in Texas wake up in New Mexico  
Strange things can happen you never know where your life will go  
My friend told me a story 'bout a man who changed his fate  
He just had to do it I guess he just could not wait

He lived on a dead-end street in the last house on the right  
He worked at a dead-end job he never once put up a fight  
He just happened to be driving around that night  
He got hungry and he saw the neon diner sign

Na na na.....  
And it won't be the same, be the same anymore

When he saw her face and she met his eyes  
One moment of confusion was all they needed to realize  
And he sat there for hours in an uncomfortable chair  
Filling up with love like a balloon filling up with air

Na na na  
And it won't be the same, be the same

One week later he drove up to his home  
There was mail on the front porch and the lawn was so overgrown  
But brighter was the day and lighter was the load  
Now that the dead-end street was a wide open road

Na na na  
And it won't be the same, be the same anymore

## Friend Song

I'd like to say I'm ready to talk  
To go out for dinner and go for a walk  
I'd like to say you're out of my dreams  
Out of the picture they cut out that scene

I'd like to say it, but I'd have to lie  
I don't want to do it, but baby I'll try  
To be friends with you  
Now that we're through  
Cause what else can I do?

I wish that I could move forward in time  
But somehow your memory's defining the line  
And then, when I see other girls  
They don't mean nothing 'cause you were my world

I want to hold you when you're standing there  
I don't know it's crazy but I'm kind of scared  
To be friends with you  
Now that we're through  
But what else can I do?

And when you find another one you like  
I'll have to listen to you tell me why

I can be friends with you  
Now that we're through  
Friends with you - I'm training my head for the noose  
A truce or a tangled excuse  
Cause what else can I do?

## Troubled Times

Going blind looking for truth in these troubled times  
Looking for you is so hard, so hard to find  
Coming home just to be near you and not alone  
Just to be near you is on, on my mind

And you know I am sorry for what I've become  
Who will sign for the prodigal son?

When no one's around no one, no one's around  
To fill up the emptiness everyone drowns  
Out of the light into tunnels of darkness traveling the lines  
Of these troubled times

Am I a ghost to you? Like static on wires down the avenue  
A fog that hangs on to a summer rain that dries up in the heat  
Where the painted price is black on the heart that's been damaged twice  
Fools gold forged into promises in the shadows we keep

You could tell by the signs it was coming undone  
A thousand voices sounding like one

When no one's around no one, no one's around  
Over and over the night's falling down  
Out of the light into tunnels of darkness burning to shine  
When no one's around no one, no one's around  
To fill up the emptiness everyone drowns  
Out of the light into tunnels of darkness traveling the lines  
Of these troubled times

## **Brighter Day**

Today I walk out and look at the sun  
See how it shines down on everyone and I know  
You make a brighter day

I want you beside me I want you to stay  
I know it's a feeling that won't go away  
No way, 'cause you make a brighter day  
Yeah, yeah baby you make a brighter day

Everything is much better now  
I've forgotten my fears  
L is the starting letter now  
Clouds all disappear

You give me strength I need to go on  
You give me words for a hundred songs  
Yeah babe you make a brighter day

Everything is much better now  
I've forgotten my fears  
L is the starting letter now  
Clouds all disappear

Here in the darkness where I am afraid  
Then when I reach out and draw back the shade  
Baby you make a brighter day  
Yeah, yeah baby you make a brighter day