

# Life During Wartime (live)

## Talking Heads

Heard of a van that is loaded with weapons,  
Packed up and ready to go  
Heard of some grave sites, out by the highway,  
A place where nobody knows  
The sound of gunfire, off in the distance,  
I'm getting used to it now  
Lived in a brownstone, lived in a ghetto,  
I've lived all over this town  
This ain't no party, this ain't no disco,  
This ain't no fooling around  
No time for dancing, or lovey dovey,  
I ain't got time for that now  
Transmit the message, to the receiver,  
Hope for an answer some day  
I got three passports, a couple of visas,  
You don't even know my real name  
High on a hillside, the trucks are loading,  
Everything's ready to roll  
I sleep in the daytime, I work in the nighttime,  
I might not ever get home  
This ain't no party, this ain't no disco,  
This ain't no fooling around  
This ain't no Mudd Club, or C. B. G. B.,  
I ain't got time for that now  
Heard about Houston? Heard about Detroit?  
Heard about Pittsburgh, P. A.?  
You oughta know not to stand by the window  
Somebody see you up there  
I got some groceries, some peanut butter,  
To last a couple of days  
But I ain't got no speakers, ain't got no headphones,  
Ain't got no records to play  
Why stay in college? Why go to night school?  
Gonna be different this time  
Can't write a letter, can't send no postcard,  
I ain't got time for that now  
Trouble in transit, got through the roadblock,  
We blended in with the crowd  
We got computers, we're tapping phone lines,  
I know that that ain't allowed  
We dress like students, we dress like housewives,  
Or in a suit and a tie  
I changed my hairstyle, so many times now,  
I don't know what I look like!  
You make me shiver, I feel so tender,  
We make a pretty good team  
Don't get exhausted, I'll do some driving,  
You ought to get you some sleep  
Burned all my notebooks, what good are notebooks?  
They won't help me survive  
My chest is aching, burns like a furnace,

The burning keeps me alive

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