

Mayday!!!

Flobots

Born in the flood, bloody finger-paint sets
Black marketed fresh water canons, forget me not
Epitaph, airbrush with death
White T's, wife beaters, button up, reattach flesh
In between the lines, outside of the law
Underneath the veil we dig our foundations
We navigate the globe trying to find a pattern to break the mold
With a family to feed theres nowhere we wont go
But what if were caught?
They said Im a snitch
Shot at the check point
Found with his throat slit
Theres spray paint on the teleprompter
(But what if were caught?)
Anchorman screams that hes seen a monster
(They said Im a snitch)
Mayday, theres bloodstains on his shirt
(Shot at the check point)
Mayday, they say that hes gone berserk
Sometimes, when I wanna shut out this world
Wanna rip up this page
Wanna pour out this heart
Wanna get up on this stage
And my lips become percussion
And my fists become the rage
And I pound on this table
Till it gives me something to say
Then I think about things
That Ive seen right in front of me
That I dont wanna believe
Gimme one of these mikes
Let me let em know the way that it is
Is not how its gonna be
Not if we dont let em get ahead of us
The present tensions, no threat
Its just a fence across the path
That we're already ready to walk
Rock solid footsteps, let em put up obstacles
And prove that it isnt possible, fuck that
We dont give em any weight
True liberty and freedoms at stake
Peace will never become pass
Live my life until my last day
It was half-past eight in the bat cave
When the cracks in the plaster collapsed
And gave way to gaps in the pavement
Mayday, mayday
Put it on blast
For the passengers and messengers
Cause this is a disaster

Where the fuck are the rescue workers? Not far off, pissing on a cop car
In the hall with a Pop-Tart
Sipping liquor in the rock bar
Everyone climb to the frontline, lunchtimes canceled All hands on deck to pull, survivors from the landfill
Onlookers, passers-by brush off your shoulders
Shake off that rubble
Break free from your standstill Signs of a better world, causes we understand
Failures we expected to occur
And bring redemption for our sins
(In between the lines, outside of the law)
Safety from the crowds in the shadows on the run
(Underneath the veil) We write our own Cider House Rules
To keep alive rituals that prove their worth
Search for systems we can trust
Rhythms we can lock into This is madness, salvage teams can't bandage
Hope, when its damaged or broken compassion
Not enough rope in the van
When world is collapsing, our mode of action Broadcast through the glass, all we can manage
Donate with the plastic scraps from the salad
Hoping to balance, emotions invalidated
And staged on 4:3 aspects Just ballast for sadness, lives shattered
Are standard fare for cameras and channels stare
No abracadabras, no faster answers or mantras for disasters
Remastered or plastered, we got it all backwards
Do you know the faction you're backing? Its another man down, another mother gone
Child drowned, another silenced song
Solitude, another kind of strong
I miss you, another strung along Missing in action
Another page is blackened burned
Turned, ashes to ashes
Dust off the flags and the caskets We'll never find another you
Despite the life of love we knew
These lightning times are trouble
Who cant count the strikes that punished through? The bonds we thought would never break
And never will and never change and never fade
But theres the rage
Of losing you to their mistakes In between the lines
(Signs of a the next movement)
Refuge from the crowd
(Outside of the law)
Causes we understand Hands that trace instructions
For descendants in the shadows on the run
(Underneath the veil)
Failures we expected to occur
And bring redemption for our sins

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(We carve our foundations)
In between the lines, outside of the law
In between the lines

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