# Grin for Grief

## STAMPEAD

all the good people
theyâ€™re just waking up now
I havenâ€™t slept yet
I havenâ€™t slept

and tomorrow is yesterday
just like today
so live it up, live it up
thatâ€™s what I hear them say

and the poisons in my body
how Iâ€™ve learned to love them
and we eat em up, eat em up
and eat em up again

and the girl in my blanket
whom I fake my affections
Iâ€™d give her up
for some directions

thereâ€™s a grin for grief
grief for grin
back and forth and forth and back
you know I always win

now I wake up to the sunlight
shining from the windowsill
to the corner of my
left squinted eye

thereâ€™s fear over lost headache pills
you know the pain it makes her cry
under the cover I see my sunshine
with a blanket mark on her face
I sit back and smile
at the dog tail chase

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grief for grin
back and forth and forth and back

you know I always win

now I blur my eyes inside
make the colors collide
wink eye to eye
make the world move
from side to side

and I say
whereâ€™s my east coast sunshine
tanline, shoreline, soulbride
I left her some time ago
ask me why and I will not know
but I guess the girls are still lovely
wherever you go
I guess the girls are still lovely
wherever you go

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the orchestras playing a memory of
a time when we smiled under east coast skies
sitting at the dock at the shinnecock co-op
with an empty bucket by her side
as she sat with a fishing pole in her hand
I sang her a song I knew only
she would understand

I got her high strung up
on my melody and
I got one sly hand creeping up her
pretty little knee

but donâ€™t be fooled if you
decide to do this
she may not love you
she just loves the music

thereâ€™s a grin for grief
grief for grin
back and forth and forth and back
you know it makes my head spin
and as I laugh at the angels

sit and eat with the sin
yes I knew that I knew
that Iâ€™d always win
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