

Train in the Distance

Paul Simon

She was beautiful as southern skies
The night he met her
She was married to someone
Now he was doggedly determined That he would get her
He was old he was young
From time to time he would tip his heart
But each time she withdrew Everybody loves the sound of a train in the distance
Everybody thinks its true
Everybody loves the sound of a train in the distance
Everybody thinks its true Well eventually the boy the girl get married
Sure enough they have a son
And although both were occupied
With the child she carried
Disagreements had begun And in a while it just fell apart
It wasn't hard to do Everybody loves the sound of a train in the distance
Everybody thinks its true
Everybody loves the sound of a train in the distance Two disappointed believers
Two people playing the game
Negotiations and love songs
Are often mistaken for one and the same Now the man and the woman
They remain in contact
Let us say its for the child
With disagreements about
The meaning of a marriage contract Conversations hard and wild
From time to time he make her laugh
She'd cook him a meal or two Everybody loves the sound of a train in the distance
Everybody thinks its true
Everybody loves the sound of a train in the distance What is the point of this story?
What information pertains?
The thought that life could be better
Is woven indelibly into our hearts and our brains
Like a train in the distance, train, train, train

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