## **Constructive Summer**

## **The Hold Steady**

Advisory - the following lyrics contain explicit language:

Me and my friends are like

The drums on 'Lust for Life'

We pound it out on floor toms

Our Psalms are sing along songsAnd this whole town is like this

And now we all haul ashes

Work at the mill until you die

Work at the mill and then you dieWe're gonna build something this summer

(Gonna build something this summer)

We'll put it back together, raise up a giant ladder

With love and trust and friends and hammers

(This summer)We're gonna lean this ladder up against the water tower

Climb up to the top and drink and talk

(This summer)Me and my friends are like

Double whiskey, coke no ice

We drink along in double time

Might drink too much but we feel fineWe're gonna build something this summer

(Gonna build something this summer)

Summer grant us all the power

To drink on top of the water towersWith love and trust and shows all summer

(Get hammered)

Let this be my annual reminder

That we can all be something biggerI went to your schools, I did my detention

But the walls are so gray I couldn't pay attention

I read your gospel, it moved me into tears

But I couldn't find the hate and I couldn't find the fearI met your Savior, I knelt at his feet

And he took my ten bucks and he went down the street

I tried to believe all the things that you said

But my friends that aren't dying are already deadRaise a toast to Saint Joe Strummer

I think he might have been our only decent teacher

Getting older only makes it harder to remember

We are our only saviors

We're gonna build something this summer

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