Mean Flower

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How beautiful you've made yourself
How cruel you've become
How so much like another
That it's no surprise
That I don't recognize you now so
Beautiful and cruelYou're the meanest flowerYou raise me off the ground
To see how far there is to fall
As if I don't remember
How we passed the time
As if I don't remember how
Your face fell into mineOh, you're the meanest flowerNotice how I vanish
And your world remains
You show your head above it
For spite, nothing more
Like you thought just living
Was somehow its own rewardYou're the meanest flower

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