What Do You Want the Girl to Do

Allen Toussaint

So you think the girl is crazy
To eat up your lies like it's good
(Your lies like apple pie)

(She don't even cry)

She is not a fool

She's just tryin' to do what her heart says to

To love you

And as you take to the wind

(to the wind again she breaks down)

And as she breaks down within (within, within)She waits for you patiently

Hopin' that someday you'll see

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[Can't you see]

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All she really wants is you

She knows what you are

Still she'll be your queen if you let her

(Just say the word today)

(Build the world around her)

Now and then you'll promise

All the way-out things you're goin' to get her

(You will see, you will see)

(You're so damn glad you found her, found her, years ago)

Cause ma she knows better

As she watched you come and go (all you'll show)

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