

# Side Effects

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It's M.C. and Y.J. another hit, okay  
We lookin' fine, takin' off, saw us on a runway  
On any given Sunday, Monday, Tuesday  
They try to confuse me, I never let 'em use me  
I was a girl, you was a man  
I was too young to understand  
I was naive, I just believed  
Everythin' that you told me  
Said you were strong, protectin' me  
Then I found out that you were weak  
Keepin' me there under your thumb  
'Cause you were scared that I'd become  
Much more than you could handle  
Shinin' like a chandelier that decorated  
Every room inside the private hell we built  
And I dealt with it like a kid I wished I could fly away  
But instead, I kept my tears inside  
'Cause I knew if I started I'd keep cryin' for the rest of my life  
With you I finally built up the strength to walk away  
Don't regret it but I still live with the side effects  
Wakin' up scared some nights still dreamin' 'bout them violent times  
Still little protective 'bout the people that I let inside  
Still a little defensive thinkin' folks be tryin' to run my life  
Still little depressed inside, I fake a smile and deal with the side effects  
Side effects, side effects, side effects  
Vacant inside, no one was there  
Couldn't be real, had to keep quiet  
Once in a while put up a fight  
It's just too much night after night  
After a while I would just lie  
You wasn't wrong, said you was right  
Did what I could just to survive  
Couldn't believe this was my life  
Flickerin' like a candle, doin' my best to handle  
Sleepin' with the enemy, aware that he was smotherin'  
Every last part of me so I broke away  
And finally found the strength to breathe  
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Hey, hey, hey, let's go

Hey magnifico or should I say magnificent?

Ain't nothin' worth your happiness

And I ain't carin' who you're with

Misery love company

So we ain't tryin' to hang with y'all

Hurt you if ya let 'em in

Gotta keep ya sucka smilin'

Keep tryin' to play 'pology

I tell him I ain't bowlin' tho

Think they want me outta here

I tell 'em I ain't goin' tho

Side effects be drowsiness

Loneliness, how is this?

I think they call it hateration

What can you prescribe for this?

Forgive but I can't forget

Every day I deal with this

I live with the side effects

But I ain't gonna let them get the best of me

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