

Olly Olly Oxen Free

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So, you wanted
That's what you get for wanting, you got it
That's what you get for getting, forgotten
You're gardening a rotting bed of Ray-gun era icons
So, let's start it
Let's start it from the minute you felt it
You felt it like a prison, a panic
You felt it like that coffee scene from Moscow on the Hudson
So, be honest
It's not as if you're happy about it
it's not as if you're animatronic
It's not as if you couldn't cry out any time you wanted
Olly Olly oxen free
All the people you will never be
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Fate! You call it
You colour it the colour you want it
You carpet it, that's awful convenient
You paint yourself a nice white room with stripes and matching curtains
So, you forfeit
You cannot build a river, across it
You cannot hold your own heart hostage
You do not have the strength to gag yourself in every closet
The wrong place, wrong mind, timing's always bad
You're such a sad case, misplaced, renaissance inventor of a worldwide heartbreak
Taking it in stride
'cos you're an expert, aren't you?
Aren't you just a dime a dozen
Murderous Monosyllabic moron with no sense of purpose
Working on your songs all night to justify your worthlessness
To anyone who's watching
If they only saw your alter ego pretty in the shop window
When you got auctioned ours ago
Olly Olly Oxen free, all the people you will never be
Olly Olly Oxen free
Olly Olly Olly Olly higher than the king can
See no evil, hear no evil, capture me and throw the key a-
See no evil, hear no evil, capture me and throw the Key away

Throw the key away
So, it's over
You're lying in a coffin of clutter
Your father and your sister, your drummer
Are sorting through your soft cell tapes and lifesaver collection
And, you wonder
you wonder if you could've done better
You wonder if you should've surrendered
Before you learned that nobody actually wants to fucking Martyr
Didn't you, didn't you, didn't, didn't you see
Didn't you, didn't you, didn't, didn't you see
Didn't you didn't you, you, you didn't see me
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