

As Cool As I Am

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Yeah, there was a time I didn't like the love, I liked the climbers

I was no sister then, I was running out of time and one liners

And I was afraid like you are when you're too young to know the time

And so I watched the way, you take your fear and hoard the horizon

You point you have a word for every woman you can lay your eyes on

Like you own them just because you bought the time

And you turn to me, you say you hope I'm not threatened Oh, I am not that petty, as cool as I am

I thought you'd know this already

I will not be afraid of women

I will not be afraid of women So now we're at a club, you watch the woman dancing, she is drunk

She is smiling and she's falling in a slow descending funk

And the whole bar is loud and proud and everybody's trying, yeah

You play the artist, saying, "Is it how she moves or how she looks?"

I say it's loneliness suspended to our own like grappling hooks

And as long as she's got noise, she's fine

But I could teach her how I learned to dance when the music's ended Oh, and that's not petty, as cool as I am

I thought you'd know this already

I will not be afraid of women

I will not be afraid of women You tried to make me doubt, to make me guess

Tried to make me feel like a little less

Oh, I liked you when your soul was bared

I thought you knew how to be scared And now it's amazing what you did to make me stay

But truth is just like time, it catches up and it just keeps going

And so I'm leaving, you can find out how much better things can get

And if it helps, I'd say I feel a little worse than I did when we met So when you find someone else

You can try again it might work next time

You look out of the kitchen window

And you shake your head and say low

"If I could believe that stuff, I'd say that woman has a halo"

And I look out and say, "Yeah, she's really blond"

And then I go outside and join to the others, I am the others Oh, and that's not easy, I don't know what you saw

I want somebody who sees me

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