

Storytelling

Belle and Sebastian

Picture a scene in your mind, look at all the people
And take note of the setting behind
Listen, watch and wait, a plot begins to take shape
There's a story and then characters will come to you
Relating events as they choose to
But all their words and actions come entirely from you
If you're a storyteller you might think you're without
responsibility
And you can lead your characters anywhere you want, you have immunity
Have you considered the way people
might react to all the things
That your characters say?
And are their actions hand in hand with what you want to portray?
Are you sick? Are you crippled, insane?
Expressing the desires that don't speak their name?
Are you the one to be blamed?
Now you're a storyteller you might think you're without responsibility
But in directions, actions and words
Cause and effect, you need consistency
How can you finish the tale? Lives which have played a part
Are summarized from the very start
And episodes left out to make it all go your way
It's a mighty big world, some of it I've seen
But mostly I've only heard
And stories are all fiction from their moment of birth
You're just a storyteller, you're not trying to escape
responsibility
If we believe you then you're successful
But you don't make claims of verity
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