## Mama Lay Softly on the Riverbed

## **Morrissey**

Mama, why did you do it?

Mama, who drove you to it?Was it the pigs in grey suits

Persecuting you?

Uncivil servants

Unconcerned at how they frightened you

Life is nothing much to lose

It's just so lonely here without youMama, why did you do it?

Mama, who drove you to it? Spare priggish money men

Who scared the life out of you

Bailiffs with bad breath

I will slit their throats for you

Life is nothing much to lose

It's just so lonely here without you, mamaLife is nothing much to lose It's just so lonely here without youSo, we're gonna run to you

We're gonna come to you

We're gonna lie down beside you, mamaWe're gonna be with you

We're gonna join you

We're gonna lie down beside you, mamaAnd we will be safe and sheltered in our graves

We'll come before you

And we will kiss you

By way of one final hug, mama

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