Platinum Blonde

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Stuff comes down from the golden triangle

On ferries from Denmark to Helsingborg

The band strikes up but they're out of time

On synthesiser and washboard

Wooden tulips grow by the roadside

Made in a factory in Jonjoping

Fake glass baubles hang in the station

Just like the passenger's imitation

Then it hits you she was just the dregs

All you wanna do now is break her legs

Kick that brunette into a pond

Replace her with a...[Chorus]

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It's in the center of the darkest night

She's waiting there with a set of works

And a Swedish passport and something white

She walks past but you can't form a whistle

Even her lips look artificial

You wanna follow her but you can't swallow

Her act, it seems so superficial

Now you've shed the old one like a worn out shoe

It was all your fault but you blame her too

You know its phony but at least it's new

And it comes from a bottle like[Chorus]And in your heart there's a new addiction

Another friction that you can't resolve

She seemed alive but she is just a cipher

An imaginary postcard that just dissolved

Endless sunsets glow in the distance

Painted by Picasso's assistants

Perfect people travel in Volvos

Into the sunsets into the distance

You're just a passenger she's not a ticket

A foreign stamp you've got to lick it

Put it in the mail box

Put it in the fail box

You never seem to learn from the school of hard knocks

Then she walks past and laughs at the pond You can't break a heart that doesn't respond, like[Chorus]

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