

The Fence

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Somewhere in your wardrobe, I'd be willing to bet

There's a t-shirt probably bearing the silhouette of Che Guevara
He was revolutionary, yeah, he wore a cool hat
But behind the design I think you might find it's not quite as simple as that
Che was a bit of a homophobe, Che
was a bit of a homophobe, apparently

Che was a bit of a homophobe, Che was a bit of a homophobe[Chorus]

This is my song in defence of the fence

A little sing along, a anthem to ambivalence

The more you know, the harder you will find it

To make up your mind, it, doesn't really matter if you find

You can't see which grass is greener

Chances are it's neither, and either way it's easier

To see the difference, when you're sitting on the fence
Somewhere in your house, I'd be willing to bet

There's a picture of that grinning hippy from Tibet - the Dalai Llama
He's a lovely, funny fella, he gives
soundbites galore

But let's not forget that back in Tibet, those funky monks used to dick the poor, yeah
And the Buddhist line
about future lives is the perfect way to stop the powerless rising up

And he tells the poor they will live again, but he's rich now so it's easy for him to say[Chorus]

I'm taking the stand in defence of the fence

I got a little band playing anthems to ambivalence

We divide the world into terrorists and heroes

Into normal folk and weirdos

Into good people and pedos

Into things that give you cancer and the things that cure cancer

And the things that don't cause cancer, but there's a chance they will cause cancer in the future

We divide the world to stop us feeling frightened

Into wrong and into right and

Into black and into white and

Into real men and fairies

Into status quo and scary

Yeah we want the world binary, binary

But it's not that simple. And your dog has a bigger carbon footprint than a four wheel drive

Yea your dog has a bigger carbon footprint than a four wheel drive

And your dog has a bigger carbon footprint than a four wheel drive

And so does your baby, maybe you oughta trade HIM in for a Prius
ROCK![Chorus]

I'm taking the stand in defence of the fence

I got a little band playing tributes to ambivalence

We divide the world into liberals and gun-freaks

Into atheists and fundies

Into tee-tot'lers and junkies

Into chemical and natural
 Into fictional and factual
 Into science and supernatural

But it's actually naturally not that white and black You'll be
 Dividing us into terrorists and heroes
 Into normal folk and weirdos
 Into good people and pedos

 Into things that give you cancer and the things that cure cancer

And things that don't cause cancer, but there's a chance they will cause cancer in the future
 We divide the world to stop us feeling frightened

 Into wrong and into right and
 Into black and into white and
 Into real men and fairies
 Into parrots and canaries

Yeah we want the world binary, binary - 0100100! The more you know, the harder you will find it
 To make up your mind, it doesn't really matter if you find
 You can't see which grass is greener
 Chances are it's neither, and either way it's easier
 To see the difference when you're sitting on the fence
 Cause it's not that simple... Maybe...

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