

# The Real Thing

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Amanda, I know what you're thinking  
You and I have much to say  
And you've been making me crazy  
Trying to understand  
But it's impossible at your age I know I said I'll always try  
But you're going to bed alone again tonight  
And you lie there in the dark and wonder why I did it for you and the boys  
Because love should teach you joy  
And not the imitation  
That your mama and daddy tried to show you I did it for you and for me  
And because I still believe there's only one thing  
You can never give up or ever compromise on  
And that's the real thing you need in love You're so afraid your life is over  
And nothing I can say can change your mind  
How can anybody be so selfish  
And treat you all so cruel  
Go on and scream at me and cry I'll always hold you in my soul  
And I'm never going to leave you all alone  
But your daddy doesn't live here anymore I did it for you and the boys  
Because love should teach you joy  
And not the imitation  
That your mama and daddy tried to show you I did it for you and for me  
And because I still believe there's only one thing  
That you can never give up or ever compromise on  
And that's the real thing you need in love Everybody's got a boat upon the ocean  
Not everybody's sailing out to sea  
And is there someone there for me?  
I'm ready to believe I did it for you and the boys  
'Cause love should teach you joy  
And not the imitation  
That your mama and daddy tried to show you I did it for you and for me  
And because I still believe there's only one thing  
You can never give up, ever compromise on  
And that's the real thing you need in love

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