Sandra

Barry Manilow

She's a great little housewife

Though sometimes she talks like a fool

But she helps at the store in the holiday rush

And she picks up the kids after schoolAnd she puts down the phone when her husband comes home

And she changes from mother to wife

'Til she feels the words hanging between them

And she hangs by her words to her lifeShe says, I swear I love my husband, I love my kids

I wanted to be like my mother

But if I hadn't done it as soon as I did

Oh, there might have been time to be me for myself, for myselfThere's so many things that she wishes She don't even know what she's missin'

And that's how she knows that she missedAnd she's a sweetheart, except when she's moody

It's hard to get through to her then

Depressed for a while when the youngest was born

Oh, but that happens now and againShe might take a drink with the housework

Or when Michael's kept late at the shop

A martini or two before dinner

But she always knows when to stopShe says, God, I love my husband and I love my kids

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And that's how she knows that she missedOh, they used to hold hands at the movies

Now it's seldom if ever they go

Once you've paid for the sitter and parkin' the car

There's no money left for the showShe was doing the dishes

When a glass fell and broke on the tile

And she cut her wrist quite by mistake

It was real touch and go for a whileShe says, God, I love my husband and I love my kids

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