Other People's Lives

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Can't believe what I just read, gossip on the Internet

Now the tabloids have the news

Cross my heart, it just ain't true

I never thought it of youName, names and every line

Is feeding their suspicious minds

I'm not bitter or angry, I'm only feeling sympathy

You really found the timeTo feed the reporter with your views

See the reporter, break the news

Read the reporter, join the queueSpread the news, scandalize

Words cut like a thousand knives

Take the cash, bag the prize

For playing games with other people's livesSee the reporter, break the news Read the reporter, join the queueEat it up, take a bite, feed the reader's appetite

They'll swallow anything you write

As long as it's in black and white

And full of titillationI can't believe what I just read

Excuse me, I just vomited

Tell your story, it's your call

So autobiographical but oh, so trivialFeed the reporterThey put it on the Internet

To help improve the circulation

They'll pepper it with lies

It's only other people's livesFeed the reporter

Read the reporterPoliticians dressed in drag

Careers stopped with a quick back stab

While anonymous informer flees

And leaves us with our fantasy and erotic visionsWho did what, when, to whom

In the dominatrix room?

Tabloids daily titillate

Each sordid tale reverberates

All across the nation(What can I say?)

Feed the reporter

(It's a vendetta)

Read the reporter

([Incomprehensible])A rumor then a vicious phrase

A poison pen can wreck your day

And weather words that crucify

As tabloid judges sharpen up their knivesRead the reporter, black and white

See the reporter victimize

See a poor sucker crucifiedTo stop the truth, to tell your lies

Betray your friends and get the prize The dagger's in, now twist the knife The gutter's full of other people's lives

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