

# I'd Rather Be High

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N obokov is sun-licked now  
Upon the beach at Gruenwald  
Brilliant and naked just  
The way that authors looksClare and Lady Manners drink  
Until the other cows go home  
Gossip till their lips are bleeding  
Politics and allI'd rather be high, I'd rather be high  
I'd rather be flying, I'd rather be flying  
I'd rather be dead or out of my head  
Than training these guns on those men in the sandI'd rather be high  
The Thames was black, the tower dark  
I flew to Cairo, find my regiment  
City's full of generals  
And generals full of shitI stumble to the graveyard and I  
Lay down by my parents, whisper  
Just remember duckies  
Everybody gets gotI'd rather be high, I'd rather be high  
I'd rather be flying, I'd rather be flying  
I'd rather be dead or out of my head  
Than training these guns of those men in the sand  
I'd rather be highI'm seventeen and my looks can prove it  
I'm so afraid that I will lose it  
I'd rather smoke and phone my ex  
Be pleading for some teenage sex, yeahI'd rather be high, I'd rather be high  
I'd rather be flying, I'd rather be flying  
I'd rather be dead or out of my head  
Than training these guns on the men in the sandI'd rather be high, I'd rather be high  
I'd rather be flying, I'd rather be flying  
I'd rather be flying, I'd rather be high  
I'd rather be flying

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