Almost Lucy

Al Stewart

Lucy worked at a different club every day

And though she put her mind to it, her heart was never in it

She stayed around just long enough to get paid

She won't pass the time with you, she can't stay a minuteAnd all these changing faces never bothered her at all

They just existed like a back-drop or a pattern on the wall

Lucy looks like someone who is waiting for a call

She knows he'll come but no one else can hear at allLucy finds the dressing room and the bar

Hangs her clothes up, hopes tonight the contract won't be broken

Well, they kick you round so much when you're not a star

Make you play all night just for a pittance or a tokenBut all these imperfections never bothered her at all

She says, "It sharpens your perception when your back's against the wall"

There's something that enables her to rise above it all

To shrug it off just when it seems to go too farHey, hey, hey, I think you almost

Feel the pain comin' on inside

Hey, hey, hey, I think you almost

Feel it now, you don't know why, you don't know whyThe last time that I saw her, she had given up the chase

Moved away to California, got a suntan on her face

She says that, "Life was just another time, another space"

It's over now, she learned a lot, it's not a wasteHey, hey, hey, I think you almost

Feel the pain comin' on inside

Hey, hey, hey, I think you almost

Feel it now and you don't know whyHey, hey, hey, I think you almost

Feel yourself reaching out inside

Hey, hey, hey, I think you almost

Feel it now and you don't know why, you don't know why

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