Solitary Shell (Edited Version)

Dream Theater

He seemed no different from the rest Just a healthy normal boy

His mama always did her best

And he was daddy's pride and joyHe learned to walk and talk on time

But never cared much to be held

And steadily he would decline

Into his solitary shellAs a boy he was considered somewhat odd

Kept to himself most of the time

He would daydream in and out of his own world

But in every other way he was fineHe's a Monday morning lunatic

Disturbed from time to time

Lost within himself

In his solitary shellA temporary catatonic

Madman on occasion

When will he break out

Of his solitary shellHe struggled to get through his day

He was helplessly behind

He poured himself onto the page

Writing for hours at a timeAs a man he was a danger to himself

Fearful and sad most of the time

He was drifting in and out of sanity

But in every other way he was fineHe's a Monday morning lunatic

Disturbed from time to time

Lost within himself

In his solitary shellA momentary maniac

With casual delusions

When will he be let out

Of his solitary shell

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