My All Time Doll

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When I was away, I needed you so

Now coming I'm home to stay

I won't wake in the night and reach for you

And turn on the light and to my dismayYou're not there

You're never around or is it me?

It's so hard to see

I flick off the switch and stare in dark

And wait for you to appearYou're my all time doll, I'm out of control

It's broken my mind, it's not all that you stole

You're my all time doll, you're all I adore

I'd swear to it now, but I already sworeMy eyes were blinded by tears

But it's all my own fault

My lips taste of cruel words

My eyes sting with saltTake the way I feel about you

And put it in a vault

You're my all time dollFrom near and from far, I've known many a girl

Now I'm closing in

My heart is beating like a whip on a hide

It's raining outside You're my all time doll, I'm out of control

It's broken my mind, it's not all that you stole

You're my all time doll, you're all I adore

I'd swear to it now but I already sworeEvery time I rant and rail

Every time I try and fail

Any time I want to quit

And say that's the end of itWhen I stand and start to leave

You cool my brow and tug my sleeve

You're my all time dollI'm walking, I'm pacing, my heart is racing

I swear that clock is running slow

It only speeds up for a moment or so

Each time it's time for me to goYou're my all time doll, I'm out of control

It's broken my mind, it's not all that you stole

You're my all time doll, you're all I adore

I'd swear to it now but I already sworeIn the far flung cry of a closing saloon

On the blank back side of that poisonous moon

Tried not to think about you

I thought I was immune

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