

The Real World

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You danced and partied at the Mardi Gras
Threw back all the beads at the parade
Fake worlds and logos in the shopping mall where you came from
Everything seemed the same the whole world now
So you headed down south, left your old home town
Relocated so far away from the real world
But where is the real world?
Get out of the bar and follow the stars
Now you've relocated so far away from the real world
But where is the real world?
Ambitious eyes set firmly on the future
So keen to leave your old home town
But you're a lost soul looking for the great illusion in another state
You had to escape, you know you just couldn't wait
You thought the real world let you down
So you headed down south, left another home town
Now you don't have the time to think
Who's left behind in the real world
Watching game shows all day was no kind of deal
It all seemed oh so surreal
Had to break from the real world
But where is the real world?
One day you'll wake up and you will feel
I am alive, this is real
Your friends came down to visit from all over
To see first hand the brand new start you made
But you were overqualified for the tips you earn in a bar
It won't work here and it didn't work there but you tried it anyway
So head off in the car and follow the stars
There's someone waiting not far away in the real world
Hope you get there this time but just bear in mind
There's a lot of lost souls looking out for a sign for the real world
But where is the real world?
One day you'll wake up and you will feel
I am alive, this is real

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