The Red and the Black

Iron Maiden

The morals of life and the perils of death

Take the wrong way out running out of breath

Meet my match in the afterlife

Suppress the demons that plague the night

A tortured mind is a safe place to go

But the truth lurks down in the dark below

Step inside my inquisitive mind

Are you scared at what you just might findSee myself in the hall of mirrors

A different shape every step I take

A different mind every step of the line

But in the end they are all mine

Laughing sorrow inside your head

Can't get out just a feeling of dread

I know this burden's a heavy load

A dark mistake never ending roadThe black jack king and the red queen clash

The artful dodger he counts his stash

The joker's wild like an impish child

While madame fortune she waits inside

The good luck charm is overkill

The tired old soldier says fire at will

Planes overhead go search destroy

The ones below human decoyI need somebody to save meMeanwhile we play the waiting game

The clock is struck the horse is lame

And when we think that this is done

Chance your luck a four leafed one

You hedge your bets the battle lost

To wait in vain and count the cost

The thin edged line

Between good and bad

And cast the luck be happy sadI need somebody to save meThe red and the black

People don't want the truth

Look in their eyes and you send them away

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Fate and hypocrisy

Burden's a heavy load there is no doubt

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All out of luck again

How many chances can anyone have

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Treachery out to win There in the wrong place and at the wrong timeI need somebody to save me

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