

# Must I Paint You a Picture (Extended Version)

Billy Bragg

It's bad timing and me  
We find a lot of things out this way  
And there's you  
A little black cloud in a dress The temptation  
To take the precious things we have apart  
To see how they work  
Must be resisted for they never fit together again If this is rain let it fall on me and drown me  
If these are tears let them fall  
Must I paint you a picture  
About the way that I feel? You know my love for you is strong, girl  
You know my love for you is real  
It took a short walk and a talk  
To change the rules of engagement While you searched frantically for reverse  
And them claiming  
That virtue never tested is no virtue at all  
And so I lost my ignorance And now the bells across the river chime out your name  
I look across to them again  
Must I paint you a picture  
About the way that I feel? You know my love for you is strong, girl  
You know my love for you is real  
All your friends said come down  
It will never fly And on that imperfect day  
We threw it all away  
Crisis after crisis  
With such intensity This would never happen if we lived by the sea  
Most important decisions in life  
Are made between two people in bed  
I found that out at my expense And when I see you  
You just turn around and walk away like we never met  
Oh we used to be so brave  
I dreamt the world stopped turning as we climbed the hill I dreamt impossible dreams that we were lovers still  
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About the way that I feel?  
You know my love for you is strong, girl  
You know my love for you is real [Repeat]

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