

We Grew Up a Little Bit

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We got married early and just a little bit late
Baby came too early but some things just can't wait
We were just beginning but it was very clear
We grew up a little bit that year I caught on as a meter man, you were caught at home
When I started night school, you ended up alone
But you had another baby while I had my career
And we grew up a little bit, we grew up a little bit
We grew up a little bit that year They put me in an office job, a young man on the move
We bought a house in Shaker Heights, you supervised the move
We were cashing checks, you were changing children
While I played engineer and we were growing ever faster every year I got bored of kilowatts, you were tired of
kids
I started staying out at night and soon that's what you did
At parties we'd go separately, you'd wiggle and I'd leer
And we were growing faster, we were growing ever faster
We were growing ever faster every year You learned to live in silence, I learned to live in lies
And we both ignored the empty spaces growing in our eyes
Your breath became a gin and tonic, mine became a beer
And we grew up a little more last year Today at work they passed me by and promoted John instead
I came home to find you'd wrecked the car, I guess I lost my head
Well, I can't believe I hit you but the rage came on so strong
Ah, where did we go wrong? As you sit there crying, I wonder who you are
The partner, stranger, friend and foe who's come with me this far
We stand here in the ashes and I guess it is quite clear
We did not really grow too much each year So you say we're going nowhere, well I know that's where we've
been
Still I can't help wondering, can we begin again?
I feel so full of questions curiosity and fear
But could we grow a little bit? Could we grow a little bit?
Can we grow a little bit this year?

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