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 yearI 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 yearI 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 yearYou 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 yearToday 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 yearSo 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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