

# Incompetence Indifference

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they had a courtyard pool at the hotel delight  
i decided to sun myself there was no one in sight  
just a small patch of sunlight left over there  
that's where i placed my chair  
then a woman came out and she placed her chair right smack in front of me  
so close i could've touched her hair  
she had her back to me  
i thought 'man this is weird. she's pretending i'm not here.'  
then she lit up a cigarette and the secondary smoke poured over her shoulders  
and right down my throat  
but she didn't notice  
she didn't even care  
she had stolen my sunlight and cut off my air...

(chorus... this part is sung)  
what kind of person would do you like that?  
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well it's a mean old world when you have to live  
with incompetence and indifference  
it's like a bad cup of coffee filled to the brim  
with incompetence and indifference  
smile for me one time  
smile when you really wanna cry  
try for me one time  
even though i know it's a lie

the electrician came by and fixed my wires  
he told me straight away i'd be charged by the hours  
spent the whole day just poking around  
looking for the ground  
when he did start in he rewired this and he undid that  
and he probably took a nap  
because a week went by before he said it's fixed and he left with my check  
now the microwave turns on the big screen tv  
which cuts off the bathroom lights intermittently  
and i'd love to take a shower but i'm afraid to try  
i'm afraid i'll fry...

(chorus)

so i thought i'd try a second electrician  
only this time i looked under crook  
but what really got my goat was when i picked up the phone  
(female recorded voice)  
'if you'd like to play a game, please press 1  
to continue, please press 2  
if you have all day to wait, please press 3  
to continue to wait, please press 4  
if you'd like to speak to a human being, we're sorry  
that service has been discontinued  
to stay on hold, please press 5  
and you can talk to yourself for as long as you like  
  
what kind of person would do you like that?

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