## Howard's Tale

## **Sick Puppies**

Age five, just a little boy, shy

Is he ready for the big surprise?

He'll be playing Lego in a dream

When the shadows come to lifeAge nine and he should've been fine

With a secret he's sure to keep

Two times, had to tell a little lie

For the sake of him and meNow it's over

I need closureHey, look what you did to me

When you were taking me home

Getting me \*\*\*\*, leave me alone

I waited for mom to comfort me

But when I opened my mouth

Don't say nothing, shhAge twelve and it isn't going well

Now it's three years to the day

Confused, but unlike you

This feeling won't go awaySixteen and the woman down the street

Has invited him to come inside

The first time, it didn't feel right

It'll be the last time he triesHey, look what you did to me

When you were taking me home

Getting me \*\*\*\*, leave me alone

I waited for mom to comfort me

But when I opened my mouth

Don't say nothing's wrong I won't say nothing's wrong

I won't say, I won't say

I won't say, I won't say

I won't say, I won't saySeventeen, all he's ever seen

Is the living in between the lies

It's kind of funny

How a mind can keep living in denialEighteen is a very strange scene

He's still playing with the past

Expelled, maybe someone could've helped

If someone had known to askHey, look what you did to me

When you were taking me home

Getting me \*\*\*\*, leave me alone

I waited for mom to comfort me

But when I opened my mouth

Don't say nothing, shhNineteen and he's innocently parked

Right beside a school

## He stares at a boy sitting there And the boy stares at him tooHe walks over He needs closure

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