

# Yesterday When I Was Young

## Dusty Springfield

Spoken : Somehow, it seems the love I knew was always the most destructive kind  
Yesterday when I was young

The taste of life was sweet  
As rain upon my tongue  
I teased at life as if it were a foolish game  
The way the evening breeze  
May tease the candle flame  
The thousand dreams I dreamed  
The splendid things I planned  
I always built to last on weak and shifting sand  
I lived by night and shunned the naked light of day  
And only now I see how the time ran away  
Yesterday when I was young  
So many lovely songs were waiting to be sung  
So many wild pleasures lay in store for me  
And so much pain my eyes refused to see  
I ran so fast that time and youth at last ran out  
I never stopped to think what life was all about  
And every conversation that I can now recall  
Concerned itself with me and nothing else at all  
The game of love I played with arrogance and pride  
And every flame I lit too quickly, quickly died  
The friends I made all somehow seemed to slip away  
And only now I'm left alone to end the play, yeah  
Oh, yesterday when I was young  
So many, many songs were waiting to be sung  
So many wild pleasures lay in store for me  
And so much pain my eyes refused to see  
There are so many songs in me that won't be sung  
I feel the bitter taste of tears upon my tongue  
The time has come for me to pay for yesterday  
When I was young

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