Fast Car

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You got a fast car I want a ticket to anywhere Maybe we can make a deal

Maybe together we can get somewhereAnyplace is better

Starting from zero got nothing to lose

Maybe we'll make something

But me myself I got nothing to proveYou got a fast car

And I got a plan to get us out of here

I been working at the convenience store

Managed to save just a little bit of moneyWe won't have to drive too far

Just across the border and into the city

You and I can both get jobs

And finally see what it means to be living You see my old man's got a problem

He lives with the bottle that's the way it is

He says his body's too old for working

I say his body's too young to look like hisMy mama went off and left him

She wanted more from life than he could give

I said somebody's got to take care of him

So I quit school and that's what I didYou got a fast car

But is it fast enough so we can fly away?

We gotta make a decision

We leave tonight or live and die this waySee I remember we were driving, driving in your car

The speed so fast I felt like I was drunk

City lights lay out before us

And your arm felt nice wrapped 'round my shoulderAnd I had a feeling that I belonged I had a feeling I could be someone, be someone, be someoneYou got a fast car

We go cruising entertain ourselves

You still ain't got a job

And I work in the market as a checkout girlI know things will get better

You'll find work and I'll get promoted

We'll move out of the shelter

Buy a bigger house and live in the suburbsSee I remember we were driving, driving in your car

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And I got a job that pays all our bills

You stay out drinking late at the bar

See more of your friends than you do of your kidsI'd always hoped for better

Thought maybe together you and me'd find it

I got no plans I ain't going nowhere

So take your fast car and keep on drivingSee I remember when we were driving, driving in your car

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You gotta make a decision Leave tonight or live and die this way

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