

# Nothing Ever Happens

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Post office clerks put up signs  
Saying, 'Position Closed'  
And secretaries turn off typewriters  
And put on their coats Janitors padlock the gates  
For security guards to patrol  
And bachelors phone up their friends for a drink  
While the married ones turn on a chat show And they'll all be lonely tonight  
And lonely tomorrow Gentlemen, time please  
You know we can't serve anymore  
Now the traffic lights change to 'Stop'  
When there's nothing to go And by five O'clock everything's dead  
And every third car is a cab  
And ignorant people sleep in their beds  
Like the doped white mice in the college lab And nothing ever happens  
Nothing happens at all  
The needle returns to the start of the song  
And we all sing along like before  
And we'll all be lonely tonight  
And lonely tomorrow Telephone exchanges click  
While there's nobody there  
The Martians could land in the car park  
And no one would care Close-circuit cameras in department stores  
Shoot the same video every day  
And the stars of these films neither die nor get killed  
Just survive constant action replay And nothing ever happens  
Nothing happens at all  
The needle returns to the start of the song  
And we all sing along like before  
And we'll all be lonely tonight  
And lonely tomorrow And bill hoardings advertise products  
That nobody needs  
While angry from Manchester  
Writes to complain about all the repeats on T.V. And computer terminals report some gains  
On the values of copper and tin  
While American businessmen snap up Van Goghs  
For the price of a hospital wing And nothing ever happens  
Nothing happens at all  
The needle returns to the start of the song  
And we all sing along like before And nothing ever happens

Nothing happens at all  
Theyll burn down the synagogues at six oclock  
And well all go along like before  
And well all be lonely tonight  
And lonely tomorrow

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