Street Hassle

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Waltzing Matilda whipped out her wallet The sexy boy smiled in dismay

She took out four twenties, 'cause she liked round figures

Everybody's a queen for a dayOh, babe, I'm on fire and you know I admire

Your body, why don't we slip away?

Although I'm sure you're certain, it's a rarity me flirtin'

Sha la la la, this wayOh, sha la la la la, sha la la la la

Hey, baby, come on, let's slip awayLuscious and gorgeous, oh what a hunk of muscle!

Call out the national guard

She creamed in her jeans as he picked up her means

From off of the formica topped barAnd cascading slowly, he lifted her wholly

And boldly out of this world

And despite people's derision, proved to be more than diversion

Sha la la la, later onAnd then sha la la la la, he entered her slowly

And showed her where he was coming from

And then sha la la la la, he made love to her gently

It was like she'd never ever comeAnd then sha la la la la, sha la la la la

When the sun rose and he made to leave

You know, sha la la la la la, sha la la la la

Neither one regretted a thingI don't slip away? Hey, that cunt's not breathin'

I think she's had too much

Of something or other, hey man, you know what I mean

I don't mean to scare you

But you're the one who came here

And you're the one who's gotta take her when you leaveI'm not being smart

Or trying to be cold on my part

And I'm not gonna wear my heart on my sleeve

But you know people get all emotional

And sometimes man, they just don't act rational

You know, they think they're just on TVSha la la la, man

Why don't you just slip her away? You know, I'm glad that we met, man

It really was nice talking

And I really wish that there was a little more time to speak

But you know it could be a hassle

Trying to explain myself to a police officer

About how it was that your old lady got herself stiffedAnd it's not like we could help

But there was nothing no one could do

And if there was, man, you know I would have been the first

But when someone turns that blue

Well, it's a universal truth

And then you just know that bitch will never fuck againBy the way, that's really some bad shit

That you came to our place with

But you ought to be more careful around the little girls

It's either the best or it's the worst

And since I don't have to choose

I guess I won't and I know this ain't no way to treat a guestBut why don't you grab your old lady by the feet?

And just lay her out on the darkened street

And by morning, she's just another hit and run

You know, some people got no choice

And they can't never find a voice

To talk with that they can even call their ownSo the first thing that they see

That allows them the right to be

Why they follow it?

You know, it's called bad luckBelieve me, that it's just a lie

That's what she tells her friends

'Cause the real song, the real song

Which she won't even admit to herselfBeat narrow heart, the song lots of people know

It's a painful song, it'll only say the truth

It lasts for sad songs

Penny for a wishA wish won't make you a soldier

A pretty kiss or a pretty face

Can't have it's way

The champs like us who were born to playLove is gone away

And there's no one here now

And there's nothing left to say

But, oh, how I miss him, baby

Oh, baby, come on and slip away

Come on, baby, why don't you slip away?Love is gone away

Took the rings off my fingers

And there's nothing left to say

But, oh how, oh how I need him, baby

Come on, baby, I need you baby

Oh, please don't slip away

I need your loving so bad, babe

Please don't slip away

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