## **Someone Took the Words Away**

## **Elvis Costello**

Poor head
Can hardly move my lips for speaking
I said

So, what is this thing I cannot explain?

I'd blame all the thing I feel but can't quite place

Perhaps they're written on my face

Someone took the words awayWhy don't you speak up and say what you mean?

Summon my powers of conversation

I talk to myself

I'm fine

When you're around

Then I decline the invitationIt's strange to finally find myself so tongue-tied

A change has come over me I'm powerless to express

Every thing I know but cannot speak

And if I try my voice will break

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