## **Needle In The Hay**

## **Elliott Smith**

Your hand on his arm

The hay stack charm around your neck

Strung out and thin

Calling some friend, trying to cash some check

He's acting dumb

That's what you've come to expect

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He's wearing your clothes

Head down to toes, a reaction to you

You say you know what he did

But you idiot kid you don't have a clue

Sometimes they just get caught in the eye

You're pulling him through

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Now on the bus, nearly touching this dirty latrine Falling out sixth and Powell, a dead sweat in my teeth

Gonna walk, walk, walk

Four more blocks plus the one in my brain

Down, downstairs to the man

He's gonna make it all okay

I can't be myself, I can't be myself

Then I don't want to talk

I'm taking the cure

So I can be quiet wherever I want

So leave me alone

You ought to be proud that I'm getting good marks

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