West of Hollywood

Steely Dan

Brother in tears

Look at this chain of sorrows

Stretching all the way from here and now to hell and gone

I was kid clean

She was anne de siecle

Just a thrill away from punching through to the cosmic wow

It started out good

Then it got lots better

Makin' up the rules as we went along

But with a business like this

There's an gnarly downsideChorus:

I'm way deep into nothing special

Riding the crest of a wave breaking just west of hollywoodSwingin' so hard

We burned right through the summer

Till the axis of pain/pleasure sheared the arc of desire

From the rebus affair

To the streets of culver city

Places and events slip below the horizon line

Now at this time

Into our pretty story

The truth compels us

To bring a certain name

Meet if you will

Doctor warren krugerChorusShe reached out for my hand

While I watched myself lurch across the room

And I almost got thereLook in my eyes

Can't you see the core is frozen?

You can't ask me to access the dreams I don't have now

Sadly for us

Our little talk is over

So together we'll endure the tyranny of the disallowed

Don't you love port blanc

When hooterie is over

When the girls get easy and the crowds are gone

A weekend of bliss

Then the rainy seasonChorus

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