

# Poison Pen

## Hoodoo Gurus

Dear John, so begins a famous old story  
Goodbye, au-revoir, thanks for the memory  
Keep it short and sweet if you really care  
D I vor C E can be so hurtful  
It makes public property of things that are personal  
All the friends and family get their share  
Ink is black, as black as night  
Black as thoughts that shun the light  
Truth will out and maybe then  
You'll put down that poison pen, that poison pen  
Everyone enjoys sharing a rumor  
But when it's aimed at you it loses its humor  
Sometimes words so innocent, cut so deep  
Ink is black, as black as night  
Black as thoughts that shun the light  
Truth will out and maybe then  
You'll put down that poison pen, that poison pen, that poison pen  
Everybody's telling me, "Talk is cheap"  
Sometimes words so innocent, cut so deep  
Cut so deep, they cut so deep, so deep  
Ink is black, as black as night  
Black as thoughts that shun the light  
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Truth will out and maybe then  
You'll put down that poison pen, poison pen  
That poison pen, that poison pen, poison pen  
Black as night, as black as coal  
Black as thoughts that cast a shadow  
Right across my soul  
I thought that you were my friend  
Until you picked up that poison pen, that poison pen, yeah, poison

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