

Lyrics Collection

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Empty Pages

I wrote a story so wholesome, it couldn't wait to be read
Picked the brightest of colours, delusion's gone to my head
Put the pen down and pressed on, like I lived every day
It was a sad Tuesday morning, mistakes stay in bed

Cause on that Tuesday morning, the pages have turned
Couldn't see where the ink went, the candle's been burnt
You no longer cared, wouldn't look at if I left you unread
You broke up and walked out on the picture of you in my head

Bent and distorted
Turned into a blur

You went from foreground to background in the blink of an eye
Have to scroll just to find you, no more on top of my mind
From emergency contact to page three of my phone book
Turned inward to find out if my memories still look like you

That lone Tuesday morning, it rushed by like the wind
Grabbed my book, ripped a page, and I ran for the ink
Went furious and screaming to retain what is lost
The ink dried up half-way
I shake it, I mourn
But the more that I do
I realise the candle has long been burnt

It all came so sudden
Discarded, forgotten

You went from foreground to background in the blink of an eye
Have to scroll just to find you, no more on top of my mind
From emergency contact to page three of my phone book
Turned inward to find out if my memories still look like you

Why can't I love you and where have you gone?
No trace of remembrance of things you have done
It's all empty pages, the love's disappeared
Erased into distance your heartbeat that's felt quite so near

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It all came so sudden
Discarded, forgotten
Bent and distorted
Turned into a blur

I write and I write, but it's empty pages
On that lone Tuesday morning the ink dried up half-way
As you broke up and walked out, off the edge of the page
I close a decade-old book as I let the bird out of its cage

That's When You Found Me

When mirrors were soulless
In a freckly maze
When rage filled the ballroom
In silence for days
That's when I found you
I got to hold on to

That's when you found me
With sand in my shoes
By the Indian Ocean
Was waiting for you
My whole life
While painting the sky

I painted it all
A lifetime of lies
Together alone
You wanted a wife
And I was longing to marry
The woman within me

When tears filled the pool
While neighbours were singing
I was a fool
And did too much clinging
Alone in my pain
Going insane

I painted it all
A lifetime of lies
Together alone
You wanted a wife
She's longing to carry
The weight of the world

I painted it all
A lifetime of lies
Together alone
You wanted a wife
And I'm longing to marry
The woman within me

You walked away
From sandals to boots
Through crystallised snowstorms
Ingesting the news
So I am alone
Gone is my home

Clones

It's the weight of broken bones
A chain turned to stone
The power freedom holds
Is it me or are we clones?

Memories long to fight
Turn dullness into light
Where have we gone so wrong?
Awareness left undone

Take my twin and hold her tight
Say you love her but not in spite
The birds are gaining height
Oil fields starting to ignite

It's the weight of broken bones
A chain turned to stone
The power freedom holds
Is it me or are we clones?

And it's time for us to part
Sunrays burning, towns collapse
Rolling thunders, voided hearts
Free myself from shattered parts

Are we one or are we two?
Conquered pain anew
I'm longing for a few
Steps taken, say I do

It's the weight of broken bones
A chain turned to stone
The power freedom holds
Let's no longer be clones

Drowning In The Rain

Merely eighteen and my heart was still unwrapped
Tied a knot around the silver string attached
You took the scissors at the speed of a Corvette
No regret to let the veins shine through the glass

I tried drowning in the rain
Saw a frown upon your face
As I set off for the stones
Discovered gold in bones

Who needs water when the rain drags you down?
Who needs freedom when you walk above the clouds?
Who knew love ended for us there and then?
On the night I tried drowning in the rain
All I wanted was to drown out all the pain
On my quest to find out if I'll remain

Blinking lights of bluest skies
Inhaled water, closed my eyes
Filled my lungs with thoughts of you
Your hand reached in and pulled

Who needs water when the rain drags you down?
Who needs freedom when you walk above the clouds?
I failed to see that loving you was not a gain
That was the night I tried drowning in the rain

There were sirens, people talked
Muffled voices, chairs that rocked
Embraced familiar satellites
As the sun moved out of sight
Your eyes turned midnight black
Went back
Then left
And life left my veins

Who needs water when the rain drags you down?
Who needs freedom when you walk above the clouds?
I failed to see that loving you was not a gain
On the night I drowned in the rain
All I wanted was to drown out all the pain

Blind Spots

Soaking wet, but barely screaming
Wake up startled 'cause I'm dreaming
Of a nightmare losing love I knew was real
Forget happy, forget love
Lose treasure hunts in skies above
Taking vitamins or coffee?
Does it matter where you touch me?

Your number long engraved
Offshore and miles away from none
Starts with the digit three
That's rolling off the foreign tongue

I was shooting for the stars, but I was aiming far too high
The problems down on earth you buried in me like your every lie
So I turn back to the sun, staring fiercely in her eyes
Then the blind spots hit me long enough, allowing you to hide

But I'd do it all again, it felt like dancing in the rain
Stripped down naked to the sound of pure acceptance of my pain
I'd go on tiptoes to embrace you, taking in your manly scent
Forget the voice crack of the shouting to a future long unplanned

A stranger's voice brings me back
The untold stories of the past
The first time I hear them
Chants of long-lost tales of trust

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I'd go on tiptoes to embrace you, taking in all that is left
Depletion of the feeling, unreported was the theft

Just like the scars that form the feeling of the hopeful little burn
Just like the four-o'clock sunrise that did us dirty every time
Just like the hunt for gold and all you find's the flicker in my eye
Every time I'm cursed with brightness of a lifeforce that's left me blind

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Take my life to unknown lands
And see where memories begin
The lines I haven't said
Linger under patches of my skin

Those Scars

Sometimes I feel like a hot air balloon
Barely lifting off the ground
While burning every last bit of my fuel
See the air streaming out

I look down at my arms
I look down at my legs
I see skin that is broken
Some healed up, some still red

Those scars
They tell my story
They tell the world
I survived through the dark times

Those scars
They remind me of hard times
Remind me of tough love
Remind me of you

I notice them talk
I notice them glare
Without knowing who I am
They won't stop, they won't care

Those scars
They tell my story
They tell the world
I survived through the dark times

Those scars
They remind me of hard times
Remind me of tough love
Remind me of you

Those scars heal up faster than my tears dry
Those tears I cried for reasons I don't know why
Those reasons I don't see anymore, don't want anymore

Oh no, they won't
No more, they won't
Won't be there, oh no
Won't be there to rule my life

Those scars
They tell my story
They tell the world
I survived through the dark times

Those scars
They remind me of hard times
Remind me of tough love
Remind me of you

Every time I feel the sharp knife
I get reminded this is my life
I put it down to make sure
That my hot air balloon flies

Wishing He Could Have Walked On

There were eight summers between you both
Knew all his secrets, would have kept an oath
Two lives in one heart, little bro
25 years later you had to let him go

But there was one thing you couldn't have guessed
Too deep inside, hearts broken, a mess
Offered to take him under your wings
Lived on an island when you found out this

He was too young and too in love
To realise there's guardian angels above
Who could have saved his soul from being broken
Wishing that he could have just walked on

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To realise there's guardian angels above
Who could have saved his soul from being broken
Wishing that he could have just walked on

So in a dark lonely summer night
He decided against all that's right
You never thought that he would bail

But then again

You know, and knew all along
That his determination never failed

He was too young and too in love
To realise there's guardian angels above
Who could have saved his soul from being broken
Wishing that he could have just walked on

He was too young and too in love
To realise there's guardian angels above
Who could have saved his soul from being broken
Wishing that he could have just walked on

Hearing his laugh in your mind
Reminds you of a time when he
Was too young and too in love
Protecting him was all you got

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Wishing he could have
Walked on, oh oh
Away from her
Away from pain
He ended a life in which there was no gain

His Last Chance

You look into my daughter's eyes
Say, "this time I'll do it right"
As we look back 30 years
Knowing nothing was fine

I hope she'll never have to
Deal with me and you
The relationship is broken
A safety net that I fell through
A safety net that I fell through

It's knowing you have
Tried every substance
Told every lie
Saw the devil with your own two eyes

It's knowing you have
Tried every substance
Saw the devil with your own two eyes

She looks at you like the hero you are
One that's buried under your heavy heart
Her eyes shine bright, they let in light
Into our three-decade long night

It's knowing you have
Tried every substance
Told every lie
Saw the devil with your own two eyes

It's knowing you have
Tried every substance
Saw the devil with your own two eyes

I'm trying to forgive the way that you have made me feel
Hear the slamming of your doors still ringing deep inside my ears
I wish you had said more than just, "go live your own life now"
Cause even though we fell apart, I'll always be

Proud of you
Proud of us

It's knowing you have
Tried every substance
Told every lie
Saw the devil with your own two eyes

I promise I'll always talk the best about your life
What are the odds losing both your child and now your wife
After the hell you called a life, it's your last chance to make it right
Do it for her to make the devil close his eyes

A Queen in Disguise

It's been fake it to make it
For my whole goddamn life
Made others believe I'm a badass
As if that's the success to my life

So, I say

That's not what I wanted
It's got nothing to do with me
If you want a shallow one
Take someone else and let me be

Call me the keeper of kindness
A master of smiles
Kind chaperone of laughter
I'm a queen in disguise

I bring kindness to your heart
Hold the key to the skies
Where love meets with kindness
I'm a queen in disguise

But I have had, yes, I've had it hard enough
When I was, when I wasn't strong enough
All I wanted, all I wanted was to be tough
I was feeling less, feeling less than just good enough

So, I say

I make a promise to heaven
For as long as I live
I'll bring kindness to people
Cause that's all I got to give

Call me the keeper of kindness
A master of smiles
Kind chaperone of laughter
I'm a queen in disguise

I bring kindness to your heart
Hold the key to the skies
Where love meets with kindness
I'm a queen in disguise

Call me the keeper of kindness
A master of smiles
Kind chaperone of laughter
I'm a queen in disguise

And you say

She brings kindness to my heart
Holds the key to the skies
Where loves meets with kindness
She's a queen in disguise

The world needs no badass
No fake it to make it no more
It needs just a bit of that kindness
The world needs more queens in disguise

Bambi Eyes

Hazelnut
Coffee cup
Blinking slowly
Growing fondly

The spark in your eyes makes it all worthwhile
Although I haven't seen it for a while
I keep clinging on to what's meant to be over
Being me, I know I most likely drove her

Away from here, away from me
I may be lonely but I protest it is over

I miss knowing how it feels when you smile at me
When we lock eyes, we forget how it used to be
When we laughed, when we sang, then we danced
You always hated it but gave it a chance

Because you knew how happy it made me
And this knowing was what was supposed to be
The only way you and I'll ever be
But Bambi eyes, you keep drifting away

Between us there is a distance that keeps on growing
And I hate to go through life without knowing
That we will ever get to be any closer
Than we are now, which seems impossible

Impossible
Impossible
Away from here
Away from me

I miss knowing how it feels when you smile at me
When we lock eyes we forget how it used to be
When we laughed, when we sang, then we danced
You always hated it but gave it a chance

All I ever wanted
Was to
Love you
And your Bambi eyes

I miss knowing how it feels when you smile at me
When we lock eyes we forget how it used to be
When we laughed, when we sang, then we danced
You always hated it but gave it a chance

All I Got Is This Song

It is heartache that fuels me
It's the pain I despise
Life is more than a gamble
I keep rolling the dice

Sun goes up, I go under
Yet my dreams never stop
It's a life full of wonder
The news don't need to drop

Without you by my side here
I'm strolling through the arcade
Wondering what life could have been
If we didn't wait

It's the memories of your love
That draw me in every day
Give my life a big meaning
Tell me you're here to stay

Now I wonder where you are
You have been my home
Said goodbye for forever
All I got is this song

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I Openly Loved You

You said the Sun was in your eyes
When we drove through the wild
For her you'd take all the brightness
In her shade's where I'll hide

You'd jump onto Saturn
Swing by the Moon for the night
She gets the best of your heaven
While I search for the light

No matter how loud I yell
You just won't hear me, oh no
Because you're up in her heaven
Left me down here in hell

I openly loved you
You secretly loved her
Wrote every line thinking of you
While you sung them to her

It's so hard to imagine
Forever goes by so fast
The vows we exchanged
We thought they would last

And so I scream, scream, scream
And I run, run, run
To escape all her brightness
As you keep chasing the Sun

I openly loved you
You secretly loved her
Wrote every line thinking of you
While you sung them to her

I will continue to love you
You will grow fonder of her
Give me a bit of her brightness
To shine a light on my hell

Impossible

Looking in the mirror
Thinking, "where have I gone?"
Wishing you were here
To make me feel like I belong

But you say, "baby, not right now"
I wish I felt less powerless
To cherish
And to bow

Yet, all you do is
Drive me away
When all I want to do is love
Bur, baby, you make it impossible this way

Baby, I'm impossible
Impossible to keep
Impossible to hold
Impossible to trust
Impossible to mould

It's seemingly impossible
To have me to yourself
When all the other men wish
I do belong to them

It surely is impossible
To love me all alone
Though not for any reason
Other than being on my own

Because, baby, I'm impossible
Impossible to keep
Impossible to hold
Impossible to trust
As all I want is me

I urge you, though it's impossible
That all I want is you

Please make it possible to keep
Possible to hold
Possible to trust
Possible to mould

Baby, I'm impossible
Impossible to keep
Impossible to hold
Impossible to trust
Impossible to mould

Being You

She gave me a flower
I stood by the fence
At only five years old
I knew we would be friends

Went to school, went to parties
Turned over every new leaf
That fell from our favourite trees
You helped me through every grief

There were boyfriends and friendships
But only ever one you
You mean more than the world to me
By just being you

Went to uni together
Same time, different place
Because I ran from where I'm from
Needed just my own space

But I kept you with me
Wherever I went
It's a friendship like ours
Even a hurricane couldn't bend

There were boyfriends and friendships
But only ever one you
You mean more than the world to me
By just being you

Now we're
Thousands of
Thousands of
Miles apart

There were boyfriends and friendships
But only ever one you
You mean more than the world to me
By just being you

When I'm
Feeling sad
Feeling sad
I go back to the start

I remember your sister
She came over to me
Picked up a purple small flower
The rest is history

There were boyfriends and friendships
But only ever one you
You mean more than the world to me
By just being you

Every Time I Leave You

She has always been there for me
Give me everything I need
I try to thank her and praise her
Doing my very deed

There's something she don't know
My heart's in it no more
Once you came into the picture
I felt it deep in my core

I am falling for your laugh
Your smile and your eyes
The jokes, sometimes shallow
Catch me by surprise

Every time that I leave you
And go home to her
There's a piece that I'm missing
One that she can't compare

To you, to you
No, she can't compare
To you, to us

She sees that I'm struggling
Tries to keep the mood light
Understands that I'm happy
When you hold me tight

It's enough and I'm helpless
Didn't want this to start
But life doesn't work that way
The reign's in my beating heart

Every time that I leave you
And go home to her
There's a piece that I'm missing
One that she can't compare

To you, to you
No, she can't compare
To you, to us

She don't deserve being lonely
Nothing more I can give
Savour in every moment
It's for you that I live

For you, for you
No need to compare
To you, to us

Longing for more than I give her
She knows to better let go
Nothing left but to leave her
She'll be better off than before

Your Winter Is Over

It's a frosty winter morning
A day stone-cold like my soul
Frozen meadows, icy daggers
Given up on what I know

The smell brings back old memories
From two Christmases ago
You told me that you fell for him
I had to let you go

Since then I questioned every day
Pray, how do I escape?
Your beauty is beyond compare
Still lingers in the air

And then I see

The first flowers of spring
The soft feeling of grass
Covered in gold-shimmering light
Reflected off pipes made of brass

That spring sun fell onto her hair
She asks, "are you, are you ready?"
"To celebrate hope's comeback?"
And I just blankly stare

In the warmest of whispers she continues
"Your winter is over, it lasted two years
Can't you see all the clover
Through two winter's worth of tears?"

Don't you see every colour?
Or are they black and white?
Take you away from darkness
And look into the sky

You have been in too deep
In a love you thought would last
Haven't learnt much about life
While living in the past

In the warmest of whispers she continues
"Your winter is over, it lasted two years
Can't you see all the clover
Through two winter's worth of tears?"

And so she says, "Let me help you to get there
No longer feel like you're dead
Now that your winter is over
We'll make memories instead"

When Special Found You

When special found you
It knew right where to look
You walked across the old lawn
Reading your favourite new book

When special found you
You smiled at all passers-by
The depth in your voice
Was your reason why

The sadness kept creeping in
Your home was no place to go
Left for a space you feel safe in
Without anything to show for

"The world is a cruel place"
You still refuse to believe
It's been all that you've known
Your only option was to leave

Leave
Leave this place behind
Find
Find your way to shine

Your heart is a masterpiece
In a world without art
Your eyes shine like an angel's smile
We all knew from the start

That you're great and you're special
You carry everyone's lies
And convert them to good acts
No one sees when you cry

Your heart is a masterpiece
In a world without art
Your eyes shine like an angel's smile
We all knew from the start

Left You Half The World Away

It's 2am, ten months
Now we're 6,000 miles apart
Having the pub all to ourselves
We knew right from the start

Saying goodbye will not be easy
Have I made you cry?
You said it's been a lonely life
Know just the reason why

She hasn't laid her eyes on you
Give in to all requests
She hasn't praised a grateful you
While you've been at your best

My lungs are filling up with dust
From not knowing what to say
Tomorrow I'll be gone, and I'll
Leave you half the world away

Sitting on an aeroplane
The miles are counting down
Reaching where I'm meant to be
To live in a new town

Starting a new job
Leave my brain outside the door
Reminds me that unfinished tasks
Are waiting at your shore

It's 2am, ten months
Now we're 6,000 miles apart
The atmosphere's too loud to speak
My throat is drying out

It's 2am where you are
8pm, I'm half asleep
Trying to recall the talk
Only you and I will keep

Keep in our hearts
In our souls
For a tomorrow that
Will likely never come

Sending texts and reading messages
They don't feel like me and you
Cause all I ever needed was
You, the lonely pub, and truth

It's 2am, ten months
Now we're 6,000 miles apart
The atmosphere's too loud to speak
All we have is the stories that we keep

About a time
I left you half the world away

Two Seconds Too Long

I feel your burning heart
In your lengthy stare
The way your blue eyes
Form their way into a glare

We've always had this skill
That we could never really hide
With tied-down hands and glued-up lips
We write passion with our eyes

You said you can't stop looking
There is no left nor right
Ravenous and starving
Desire burning wild

We have separate conversations
Blinking slowly, speaking fast
Our eyes tell different stories
About what happened in the past

You said you can't stop looking
There is no left nor right
Ravenous and starving
Desire burning wild

And I tell myself
It's two, two seconds too long
Leave me with
One smile, one smile and I'm gone

You said you can't stop looking
There is no left nor right
Ravenous and starving
Desire burning wild

Two seconds too long
Unable to say our goodbyes
When you leave, when you
Leave a mark with your eyes

Since When

Baby, you've changed and it's all becoming clear to me
That you loved how you loved, knowing you would be
The one who comes out on top every time you leave
When I scream, when I run, when I shout out for your love

Since when do you smile
When the thunder keeps chasing you
Since when do you lie
In those moments I trust in you

Since when does the moon
Give the sun all his light
Pretending to save her
Turn darkness to light

I know you wanted the world to know who you are
You've achieved what you set out, turning heads around
And I get that you think my light's far too dim to shine
Baby, you don't have to extend a welcome that's not mine

Since when do you smile
When the thunder keeps chasing you
Since when do you lie
In those moments I trust in you

Since when does the moon
Give the sun all his light
Pretending to save her
Turn darkness to light

When did the world come crushing down?
Did I miss the signs?
(Yeah, I did)
When did the lies start creeping in?
Was I always blind?
(Yes, I was)

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When the thunder keeps chasing you
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