

# You Can Leave, but It's Going to Cost You

Marvin Gaye

I remember like it was yesterday  
We were over Gwen's  
And we was trying one more time to make amends  
Oh yes we was  
Suddenly it occurred to me it did not matter  
Whether I was mad at her  
Or she was mad at me  
Naw, babe  
Understanding my condition  
I must surely be a wishing  
and a hoping to be free

Some say, you can leave, but it's going to cost you  
She said, you can leave, but it's going to cost you  
Yeah, she said, you can leave, but it's gonna cost you dearly, oh  
You can leave, but it's going to cost you, hah, dearly

Sometimes your eyes was red as fire  
Intoxicated  
Sometimes your spirit was moving on me  
Begun to fight me  
I had to fight to defend my life  
I think I minded  
See I've found  
I think I've stimulated  
That after fighting  
We're making love  
Ooh baby, ooh baby, ooh baby  
Cause after all, you was my wife

Hey, you can leave, but it's going to cost you  
She said, you can leave, but it's going to cost you  
She would try to put me down, she used to bully  
She said, you can leave, but it's going to cost you  
I used to sing this song and dance around  
She said, you can leave, but it's going to cost you  
Mr. man, what's going down

That young girl is going to cost you  
If you want happiness, you got to pay  
Oooh baby, used to be the apple of my eye  
I come to love you fool  
I come to love you baby  
You used to be my heart's desire  
My heart's desire, yeah

I'm gone, get used to it, baby  
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I'm gone, get used to it, baby  
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I'm gone, get used to it, baby  
I'm gone, get used to it

You tried to have them shut me  
Bring me

Tell me what for  
So I'd satisfy you baby  
You have won the battle  
Oh but Daddy's gonna win the war  
But Mommy's worked so hard  
Tryin'a take my riches  
Rich things, too  
Being trying to sell my  
Oh I tried to communicate  
Tryina set my woman  
Salmon in my soul  
But I was strong, baby  
Stood my ground and prayed  
Put a lot to work  
Wish it was in a position  
To upset the judge

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You use to say that I was a gorgeous hunk of man  
That didn't help me baby  
Ah, when you was on the stand