

# Girl Can't Be Herself

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In the morning from the minute that I wake up  
What if I don't want to put on all that make up?  
Who says I must conceal what I'm made of?  
Maybe all this Maybelline is covering my self-esteem  
Whose job is it to straighten out my curves?  
I'm so tired of that image, that's my word  
What if today I don't feel like putting heels on?  
Who are you to criticize when beauty's only in the eyes...  
Of the beholder, so behold her  
Sing, sing, sing, why, oh, oh, oh, why, oh?

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Uh, uh, I'm so secure with insecurities  
Why is being unique such an impurity?  
Why are the numbers on the scale like a God to me?  
All of these indifferences are based on our appearances  
We please to be appeased  
The truest pleasure is the fact that we can breathe  
Think it into existence, do it, then achieve  
A fairy tale reality, beauty was with a beast  
Ah, ah, ah, I'm the image of your reflection  
Uh, uh, uh, you're the image of my reflection  
Sing, sing, sing, why, oh, oh, oh, why, oh?

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