Family Tree

Belle and Sebastian

I've been feeling down I've been looking round the town For somebody just like me But the only ones I see Are the dummies in the window They spend their money on clothes It saddens me to think That the only ones I see are mannequins Looking stupid, being used and being thin And I don't know why I hang around with them

The way they act, I'd rather be fat than be confused The way they act, I'd rather be fat than be confused Than be me in a cage With a bottle of rage And a family like the mafia

I've been feeling blue And I don't know what to do And I never get a thrill And they threw me out of school 'Cause I swore at all the teachers Because they never teach us A thing I want to know We do chemistry, biology and maths I want poetry and music and some laughs And I don't think it's an awful lot to ask

So won't you please get up off your knees, and let me go So won't you please get up off your knees, and let me go 'Cause I'm here in a cage With a bottle of rage And a family like the mafia

If my family tree goes back to the Romans Then I will change my name to Jones If my family tree goes back to Napolean Then I will change my name to Smith If my family tree goes back to the Romans Then I will change my name to Jones If you're looking at me to be an accountant Then you will look but you will never see If you're looking at me to start having babies Then you can wish because I'm not here to fool around You can wish because I'm not here to fool around You can wish because I'm not here to fool around

There is too much love! I could hang about and burn my fingers I've been hanging out here waiting for something to start You think I'm faultless to a 'T' My manner set impeccably But underneath I am the same as you

I could dance all night like I'm a soul boy But I know I'd rather drag myself across the dance floor I feel like dancing on my own Where no one knows me, and where I Can cause offence just by the way I look

And when I come to blows When I am numbering my foes Just hope that you are on my side my dear

But it's best to finish as it started With my face head down just staring at the brown formica It's safer not to look around I can't hide my feelings from you now There's too much love to go around these days

You say I've got another face That's not a fault of mine these days I'm honest, brutal and afraid of you