

In The Desert

Ben Lee

When I am older
When I am 94
I'm gonna die in the desert
That's what the desert's for
And there'll be no water
No rain, no hail, no tears
'Cos it never rains in the desert
Like it has where I live here
I look up and see a million stars in the sky
Not a sound but the ringing in my ears when I die
In the desert
That's what the desert's for
When I am older
When I am 98
I'm gonna die in the city
That's why the city's great
And there'll be no silence
To make me stop and fear
'Cos it's never quiet in the city
Like it is where I live here
I look out and see all the traffic passing by
The smog in the air and the lights
When I die in the city
That's why the city's great
When I am older
When I am 99
I'm gonna die in the country
That's why the country's mine
And there'll be no concrete
Just green trees and some cows
'Cos it's never hard in the country
Like it is where I live now
But if I die tonight in my bed
Still in this town
And all these sounds in my head
I'll never have been to the desert, the city
The country to die there
Because I was busy and blind
And I did not find the time
And I would not have felt alive