Free

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I had it tough when I was just a little kid It didn't matter what I thought it didn't matter what I did I felt the doubt for what I lacked right from the start It did a number on my head but it could never touch my heart

'Cause I had just enough imagination Just enough to keep the faith That somehow I would think of what to do When I'd get lost in a momentary weakness of emotion

All the angels came along to help me through Life pulls fast changes Wind blows past pages All I see is, I don't need this

Highstrung tight rope walks Ticking time bomb clocks Scratch my name off, cut these chains

I'm free...Kicking out of that prison I'm free...Singing those words of wisdom Let it be...Nobody's gonna put the blues inside of me.. And in the stress to be the best I've done it all

I've slammed the doors I've jammed the locks Laid the bricks, I've built the walls No one could tell me back then why joy eluded me Kept bumping into that misery locked up deep down inside of me

Took that rage and I Turned that page and I Packed my tools, went back to school And I've passed my graduation

I hold my Ph. D. in crash test blues I've paid those dues I'm free...

Time flied by in photographs And paper scraps and songs Here I stand in ruby slippers Three taps takes me home... I'm free...