

# Growin' Up

Bruce Springsteen

1. Well I stood stone like at midnight  
Suspended in my masquerade  
And I combed my hair till it was just right  
And commanded the night brigade  
I was open to pain and crossed by the rain  
And I walked on a crooked crutch  
I strolled all alone through a fallout zone  
And came out with my soul untouched  
I hid in the clouded wrath of the crowd  
But when they said sit down I stood up  
Ooh-ooh growin' up
2. Well The flag of piracy flew from my mast  
My sails were set wing to wing  
I had a jukebox graduate for a first mate  
She couldn't sail but she sure could sing  
And I pushed B-52 and bombed em with the blues  
With my gear set stubborn on standing  
I broke all the rules, strafed my old high school  
Never once gave thought to landing  
I hid in the clouded wrath of the crowd  
But when they said come down I threw up  
Ooh-ooh growin' up
3. I took month long vacations in the stratosphere  
And you know it's really hard to hold your breath  
Swear I lost everything I ever loved or feared  
I was the cosmic kid in full costume dress  
Well my feet they finally took root in the earth  
But I got me a nice little place in the stars  
And I swear I found the key to the universe  
In the engine of an old parked car  
I hid in the mother breast of the crowd  
But when they said pull down I pulled up  
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