Talk is cheap and it's easy to shout If we spent all our time working things out Would it change anything? Words are cheap and anyone can sing So let's sing a song about all the wrongs Complaining and straining This is where it belongs Or so some one said It must've been something I read But while I was reading The ethics lay bleeding Stab the back of the hand that feeds you We fall apart in the 'basic human nature' excuse It's the heart of the gig that bleeds From the endless soul self-abuse Tied to the bar in the hope of reviews From the obvious to the obtuse The critics who sound so profound About the mythical 'new underground' But talk is cheap The words of wisdom put you to sleep And you don't even read the cuttings you keep Just following trends The trail never ends When all the solutions are just round the bend You're upholding ideas that you'd never defend In the endless search you cannot comprehend That there's nothing that wonderful In worshipping trivial Ego material Cos music sells papers Who sell you the feeling As if it was missing Yeah really, talk is cheap Till you put it in print Sing as you read The words all fit Now we're learning the words Obscure or absurd It makes no difference It never gets heard No it never gets 'in' But you really want to win When there's nothing to be You say 'look at me!' And it works! Yes it works! Cos talk is cheap But shouting is free!