Party Generation

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When he turned 34 but who's counting He couldn't find anyone who wanted to party So he walked around a playground with a bag of Mickey's Tallboys And he heard the sound of laughter and he followed it for fifteen blocks There was a house between Mavis and Water They were out on the porch, they were inside playing quarters And he said, "Don't you know the game Kazaam? It's a better game, You point your elbow at someone and say somebody else's name And it alternates whose turn it is and if you lose you drink." They said "Man, you really make us think, Yeah you make us think and so

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Round about one or two it started winding down And he knew what they needed they needed donuts So they walked out to Krispy Kruller's All night Sugar Palace It was there in the doorway he said, "Oh, well maybe not." Inside there were six women talking They were the most justified angry ex-girlfriends And they swivelled around slowly like they saw something bad Through the eyes in the back of their heads Like he always knew they had And they said, "What a coincidence," and "Hey, you're just the man, We were saying that you did the best you could You're fine, we understand and so

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In the morning they sent him home with a designated driver And he lay down and thought about the whole night And he looked up at the photo that he bought at a junk shop It was only fifty cents but he framed it and everything It was the kind of party that you hope never ends The lucky party boy surrounded by his friends And they were all in pointed hats Caught in a rebel birthday shout And he was at the candles with his mom there to help him out There was a lot that you could learn if you lay near them Like if you listened you could hear them and he could hear them

They say, Tonight we're gonna be the party We will party all night long We are the party generation So lift your head and blow 'em out

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