

Accidents Will Happen

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Oh I just don't know where to begin
love just doesn't wait forever
it's now or never
but she keeps him hanging on
the silly cheering her on
she says she can't go home without a chaperon

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they're only hit and run
you used to be a victim
now you're not the only one
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I don't want to hear it
'cause I know what I've done

There's so many fish in the sea
that only rise up in a sweat of smoke like mercury
but they keep you hanging on
they say you're so young
your mind is made up
but your mouth is undone

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And it's the damage that we do
you'll never know
it's the words that we don't say
that scare me so
there are so many people to see
so many people you can check upon
and add to your collection
but they keep you hanging on
until you're well hung
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