## **Beaten to the Punch**

**Elvis Costello** 

You say that you can and then you run to get your mummy And you're almost beaten to the punch Looking for the man who sold you the dummy And you're almost beaten to the punch Laughing at the older guys who say it's just as well Saved by the wedding bell Almost beaten to the punch You're looking for somebody new that you can knock around You are almost beaten to the punch If you've got a head for figures then you'd better count me out You were almost beaten to the punch You pulled the piece but you soon called it love You go hand in glove Almost beaten to the punch

Your body speaks much louder than your voice You let it do the talking so I don't have any choice

Now you find the younger guys are putting up resistance And you're almost beaten to the punch You better get out now because you'll never go the distance And you're almost beaten to the punch You'll find a girl and you'll promise her anything Even a wedding ring Almost beaten to the punch