Green Shirt

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There's a smart young woman on a light blue screen Who comes into my house every night. And she takes all the red, yellow, orange and green And she turns them into black and white. But you tease, and you flirt And you shine all the buttons on your green shirt You can please yourself but somebody's gonna get it

Better cut off all identifying labels Before they put you on the torture table

'Cause somewhere in the "Quizling Clinic" There's a shorthand typist taking seconds over minutes She's listening in to the Venus line She's picking out names I hope none of them are mine

But you tease, and you flirt...

Never said I was a stool pigeon I never said I was a diplomat Everybody is under suspicion But you don't wanna hear about that

'Cause you tease, and you flirt...

Better send a begging letter to the big investigation Who put these fingerprints on my imagination?

You tease, and you flirt...

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