

# A Pleasant Shade Of Grey

Fates Warning

[Part I]

so where do we begin  
and what else can we say?  
when the lines are all drawn  
what should we do today?

[Part II]

are you listening  
am i here screaming?  
drowning in a silent sea  
or only dreaming?

drifting in and out  
his mind never rests  
lying in shadows  
replaying a thousand regrets

can you hear me  
am i getting through?  
a million miles away  
or here beside you?

drifting in and out  
his heart never forgets  
lying in shadows  
replaying a thousand regrets

and the minutes just pass  
as the hours change  
and the shifting sands  
slowly rearrange

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his mind never rests  
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[Part III]

there's a cloud above us  
and there's a shadow on us  
and outside of us  
hangs this shade of gray

rain falling  
hours crawling  
all around this shade of gray

there's a chill about us  
and there's a sadness with us  
and deep within us  
lies this shade of gray

rain falling  
hours crawling

all around this shade of gray  
this shade of gray  
'rain's falling, hours crawling'  
this shade of gray  
'rain's falling, hours crawling''

there's a space beside us  
and there's miles between us  
and all around us  
grows this shade of gray

rain falling  
hours crawling  
all around this shade of gray

rain falling  
hours crawling  
all around this shade of gray  
this shade of gray  
'rain's falling, hours crawling'  
this shade of gray  
'rain's falling, hours crawling''

[Part IV]

listen  
only us breathing  
and the rain keeping time  
dividing the silence  
in a distant thunder

listen  
only hearts beating  
and the rain keeping time  
measuring out the minutes  
and taking us under

[Part V]

murdered in munich  
crucified in rome  
was killing time  
on the long road home

let nothing bleed into nothing  
and did nothing  
let nothing bleed into nothing  
and did nothing at all

withered in winter  
wished away the night  
was out of mind  
while out of sight

let nothing bleed into nothing  
and did nothing  
let nothing bleed into nothing  
and did nothing at all

let nothing bleed into nothing  
and did nothing  
let nothing bleed into nothing  
and did nothing at all

watched the days just pass  
as the seasons changed  
and the shifting sands  
slowly rearranged

but i will not eulogize  
i won't apologize  
i will not defend  
anymore, anymore  
i will not dramatize  
i won't soliloquize  
i will not pretend  
anymore, anymore

[Part VI]

i know that i don't know you  
and you couldn't know me  
but time and space collided  
and here we are, here we are

i know that you don't understand  
and i can't explain  
but circumstance conspired  
and here we are, here we are

'the time is four nineteen...'  
'time flies...'  
'???'  
'the answer is no...'

and i know we can't turn back all the years  
time reflected in a shade of gray  
but i often wonder what could have been  
and i still hold on to yesterday

and i know we're not children any more  
innocence lost in a sea of gray  
but i often wonder what else could be  
and i still dream of running away

so where do we begin  
and what else can we say?  
when the lines are all drawn  
what should we do today?

[Part VII]

stare from the darkness  
hear the silence call?  
devise divisions, delay decisions,  
watch the hours crawl and...

let nothing bleed into nothing  
and do nothing?  
let nothing bleed into nothing  
and do nothing at all?

recite soliloquies  
to shadows on the wall?  
revise revisions, reverse decisions  
watch our heros fall and...

let nothing bleed into nothing  
and do nothing?  
let nothing bleed into nothing  
and do nothing at all?

'i want you to do me a favor...'  
'i want you to get a gun...and just shoot me! shoot me!'

let nothing bleed into nothing  
and do nothing?  
let nothing bleed into nothing  
and do nothing at all?

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and do nothing?  
let nothing bleed into nothing  
and do nothing at all?

[Part VIII]

[Instrumental]

[Part IX]

stayed up late last night  
lying here in bed  
looking for words  
to say the things i left unsaid  
wind at my window