It was hard to get along when I was still in school
I never meant to do no wrong but I broke all the rules
An' I was prone to non-conformin', but what harm did I do?
I could see the world was crazy an' I was crazy too
Misunderstood with no one I could tell
Misunderstood by people I know well

Then I thought when I joined a band that I would finally fit We tried to stand for somethin' good an' people made fun of it I stuck it out as long as I could but I knew it was time to go Then I was back out on the street feeling really low

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I try to say where I belong an' live the way I should But everything just turns out wrong an' I'm always misunderstoo d Wake up, Ricky solo!

I hate the way people look at me they thing that I'm no good Maybe someday I'll make them see that I'm only misunderstood It wasn't easy stayin' strong when I was on my own It got me nuts when I was young now I'm almost grown If I can have ya by my side it'd be so good for me As long as you can understand then I will never be

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