

Eating Each Other's Babies

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She flares up, they start to fight
A chemical reaction late into the night
Once they're out of love, now they're outta sight
That's alright
When silence reigns, it's strange weather
Why do you have to leave me for a man
Who couldn't tie his shoe-laces together?
He's had the last laugh but the joke's on him
He could've had a final bang but drags on with a whimper
When dogs bark
And when cats meow
Two humans are the animals they knew they could be now
Sniffing round each other's dirt
Fighting til it starts to hurt
And eating each other's babies
Paperback's get thrown, the story unfolds
Two lost sheep who couldn't find the fold
They got no common sense, couldn't catch the common cold
I've been told
She fights tooth and claw, he starts to abuse her
You show me someone who takes losing well
And I'll show you a loser
He's a very small man wearing very big clothes
There's no room for expansion but there's plenty of room for growth
When dogs bark
And when cats meow
Two humans fighting middleweight, instead of middlebrow
Picking on those little things
Tearing off each other's wings
And eating each other's babies
We're stuck here in this cage
Playing out this prison game
Committing all these war crimes
Time after time after time after time after time
Something clicks, time to get soft
She's getting on, he's getting off
On the way she splutters with her little cough
That's enough
They're so adept, he used to spoil her
Sometimes we get so see through
Think I'm living out some potboiler
Remember me forever in your gallery
When all your past is catalogued and filed alphabetically
When dogs bark
And when cats meow
We don't have to say anything final now
Let's kiss and make up
Put off the break up
Let's eat each other's babies
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