

# It Took Me By Surprise

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I would react badly  
To the slightest hint of hesitance  
He'd bend awkwardly to suit my mood  
No word from his defense

I'd cry knowing how my tears  
Felt like acid burning through his skin  
Pushed every little button  
But the right one that would let me in

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But he lacked the words to let me know  
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I made changes that went unnoticed  
Sang songs for deaf ears  
He mistook my silence for punishment  
As it had been all these years  
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