

## Shot 18

### New Model Army

Thou shalt not kill - remember that?  
You learnt it again and again when you were young  
They said weapons have this safety catch  
Your moral conscience tells you kid what's right, what's wrong  
Well they make out like they're so surprised  
But it's easy when you're civilised  
Count to ten, close your eyes  
The way it's always been . . Shot 18

I think I was a bit surprised  
I never knew I was so anaesthetised  
And triggers pull so lightly and people die so easy  
I never realised  
Well I believe in common laws  
I believe in even scores  
I understand the rules of war  
The way the slate is cleaned . . Shot 18

Who wants another Christian martyr?  
Who wants someone else's pain?  
Who wants the world on their shoulder?  
Who wants to have to cry in vain?  
Who wants to have an open sore  
Eating away deep inside you?  
Who wants to torture themselves  
When there's plenty eager to do it for you?

Well, years might heal all the scars  
But I don't know if you feel like you have that time  
And if I was the man that killed your father  
And if I said I'm sorry, would that change your mind?  
Well no one should be so surprised  
That words don't pay for victims' lives  
It's teeth for teeth, eyes for eyes  
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