I was always, fallin out of trees
And slippin in the rain
Momma sighed as she nursed my scratches and my scrapes
She said, girl, why you gotta learn the hard way
Was at 17, I fell hard
Momma said she saw it comin as we drove off in his jacked up ca
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And she said, girl, oh girl, why ya gotta learn the hard way

Well I never liked the sound, the sound of that And when I should have thought it over well I never did think twice

And I have no excuses, its just the way my heart was wired But I love to play with matches so I have to walk through fire I learn the hard way

I'm drawn to trouble my heart just couldn't tell I courted disaster
And each dance ended just the same
All my friends said
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So why aren't ya leaving or already gone
Each time I believed before thats right where it all went wrong
But you swear you love me and I think you mean it
You say you're gonna stand by every promise that you make
It's good you plan to stick around forever and a day
Cause I learn the hard way
I learn the hard way