

## Japanese To English

### Red House Painters

I went as far as losing sleep  
I went as far as messing up my life  
Unloving still strike me different  
A million miles away from home  
And fifteen from a payphone

Where we sat lonely on the sand

You're ten years older  
We translate Japanese to English  
And English to Japanese

It's not that simple  
This dictionary never has a word  
For the way I'm feeling  
It's nothing plain for me

Of a different god and moral  
What if I laid my head down on your stomach  
Or put my mouth to your hand  
I cannot translate

Japanese to English  
Or English to Japanese

What I had to say is unsaid  
What I had to do is undone  
And if it was done  
I'm sure it would have killed our hour

Where we sat lonely on the stand

Above the water the awful gray  
Our current from japan  
Didn't sweep away