The Lizard

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You wear the lizard's shoes and afterwards you get confused You wear the lizard's coat and afterwards you fail to float You take the lizard's path but look who's lying in the bath You wear the lizard's skin no man can be a god and win at all You take the lizard's mask but look who's lying in the cask And the clocks have stopped you'll find out what the lizard dropped

You know the lizard's won but you can't work out how it's done The lizard is your friend and will be to the very end of time You lie beneath the stars the lizard knows how high they are The stars are out of reach the lizard lingers on a beach The stars are out of date the lizard had them on a plate You vomit in the shed the lizard got there first he's dead now