

I Was Only Joking

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Ever since I was a kid at school
I messed around with all the rules
Apologized then realized I'm not different after all
Me & the boys thought we had it sussed Valentinos all of us
My dad said we looked ridiculous but boy we broke some hearts

In and out of jobs runnin free wagin war with society
Some blank faces stare back at me & nothin ever changed
Promises made in the heat of the night creepin home before it got too light
I wasted all that precious time and blamed it on the wine

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Looking for a way to hide my fear (my fear)
What kind of fo-ol was I (was I)
I could never win (never win) ...

Never found a compromise collected lovers like butterflies
Illusions of that grand first prize are slowly wasted
Suzie baby you were good to me givin' love unselfishly
But you took it all too seriously
I guess it had to end

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Now you ask me if I'm sincere that's the question that I always fear
The first seven is never clear but I'll tell you what you wanna hear
I'll try to give you all you want but givin' love is not my strongest point
If that's the case it's pointless goin' on I'd rather be alone
'Cause what I'm doin must be wrong pourin' my heart out in a song
Owning up for prosperity for the whole damn world to see
Quietly now while I turn a page Act 20's over without costume change
The principal would like to leave the stage
The crowd don't understand