## Legend

## **Roy Harper**

I hear the song birds singing in the trees above my bed In the valley of the shadows of the sea of living dead I see the same old smells aboard my ship of shapelessness Meandering suspended in amorphous tastelessness

I hear the happy people striking down their matchless road The false teeth and the cologne partly sharing half the load I know I cannot ask them so I leave their eyes to say I know the way to man street, but I just don't know the way I see the hollow buildings hanging in the winter sun Throwing empty shadows that hide the hollow man The world just isn't real it's built on endless timeless time on land marks in the desert wastes of multi-coloured crime

The maps stuck in the tube trains will tell you where're you go ing They'll also tell you practically everything worth knowing So if anybody asks me I'd say "take a few salt sodas" If you don't you stand the dirty chance of dying stone cold sob er

And as I hear you breathing life's last distant compliment I know I can't have said much of what I really meant The sky dissolves the sky and the snowflakes face to face And everything is just everything because everything just is