

Teenage Winter

Saint Etienne

Amy checks the shopping list
Pedal bin, washing up rack, Santex
She goes to the bakers to buy a loaf
Ah, she keeps forgetting it's changed into the Tropicana Tanning Salon

And in the charity shop
Mrs Brown sits at the counter pricing down some old stock
The Moon's A Balloon, two copies of Every Loser Wins, Noel's Blobbyland Deluxe Edition
There's not much left on the doorstep recently
"Something to do with eBay", Johnny reckons
He's bidding on it now for a Subbuteo catalog '81-'82
He'll win it, put it in a draw, and forget he ever bought it

Holding on to something
And not knowing exactly what you're waiting for

Teenage winter coming down
Teenage winter throws a gown
Over every place I've been
And every little dream
Forever

The phone rings in Gary's flat:
"Can I speak to Mr G. Staid, please?"
He hangs up and takes Tony the milk
"See you in the Hat And Fan at seven"

Gary can't believe the Claremont Road pitch is going to be covered in executive housing
He talks about the Newcastle game, Boncho's debut
But Tony can hardly hear him
They took the jukebox out, and the Aussie bar staff are playing the Red Hot Chili Peppers
He tells them what he thinks
Manages to keep it clean
Buys another round

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Mums with pushchairs outside Sainsburys
Tears in their eyes
They'll never buy a Gibb Brothers record again
Their old 45s gathering dust
The birthday cards they couldn't face throwing away
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