## When Romance Is Dead

**The Beautiful South** 

You'll know when romance is dead Your make up in a toolbox somewhere in the shed His face is unshaven, the grass overgrown From the shed to the bed is a web you call home You'll know when romance is dead That deathly cold blast from his side of the bed Your dreams frozen over, your nightmares on ice From the bedroom to the bathroom you say everything twice (Everything twice) And you'll know when romance is dead You'll burst into tears at each record that's played He sits in the sun, you sulk in the shade You'll know when love starts to fade You'll know when romance is dead From the brambles and thorns growing out of your head Whenever you touch her she tuts or she sighs One kiss goodnight and she's rolling her eyes And you'll know when love starts to fade That balancing act is no longer made Like penny stacked high in amusement arcade It's not what you're worth it's the way that you're laid Yes you'll know when love starts to fade Like you knew when romance was alive Each couple you passed they'd smile and high five Like you'll know when love's back on track Uncontrollable laugh at each joke that you crack Giggle and cackle and throw her head back Her mouth is still smiling, her veins turning black Her head is elastic but her neck is all slack You'll know when love's on the rocks You wearing headphones, him vest and socks You'll know when love's on the slide Whenever you're talking, the kids go outside You'll know when romance is dead When the look that you get is as hard as the bread You open your mouth but your stories are stale From front door to back door it's blowing a gale You'll know when love starts to fade