

# Under One Roof

The Rubettes

Billy ran away from his home to find away to live in peace  
His Mama didn't give a damn about him  
His Papa's on the run from the Police  
When Billy hit the city - the city hit Billy

No one needs you when your down and out  
Then one kind guy with the painted eyes  
Picked him up and bailed him out  
Under one roof sharing one room

Nobody cared about them under one roof  
Sharing one room daring the world to part them  
Billy found it hard to find a job to make some pay  
All day looking round

Getting me down I was being turned away  
And Johnny was the only one who didn't talk down  
To Billy from up above and for the first time in his life  
Billy found out what it felt like to be loved.

Under one roof sharing one love  
Nobody cared about them under one roof  
Sharing one love daring the world to part them.  
Somehow Billy's Papa found out all about the style of Billy's life

And it didn't take long before he came round and he had a knife  
He cut up Johnny stole all his money  
He called him all the names that he could find  
Said he'd wait for Billy at the factory tomorrow

And show him what they do to Billy's kind.  
Under one roof sharing on love  
Now the whole world knew about them  
Under one roof

Sharing one love daring the world to part them.  
Johnny said 'Billy we can run away from the world no more  
I'm gonna fetch my daddy  
I'm gonna show the world who I'm living for and if I lose my job

If I lose my life you'll know one thing is true  
He can take away anything from me  
But he won't take me from you.  
And at five thirty dead his daddy waited at the factory

For him to come and how it did degrade  
Him he cut him and he slayed him  
And spat on him in front of everyone  
As Billy lay dying his Papa started crying

Because the parent through him he became  
And all because the person who has the first to give him love  
Had been a man.