

VALENTINE'S DAY

You couldn't have done this any better if you tried
so don't try

I know where that is
I have been there
when dinosaurs roamed the earth
I can't keep doing this
if I wanted more than this
I would ask
I am satisfied
with what I say
and what I write
and that is that
I want nothing from you
there is nothing that you can give me
that you haven't given a thousand times

TURN OFF THE LIGHTS

you can't get it back
you will never be able to pretend

LIE DOWN ON THE COUCH

and tell me your problems

how long did it take

to finish

all this

I'm sorry

does this sound

off the wall

because

I have passed through the wall

like a miracle

that makes my blood boil

we are all friends here

you can tell me what really happened

but you have rehearsed the story so many times

that it never gets as deep as the experience

and then it isn't deep at all

it's just a little story

as in

where's your story now

I have a story for you

just say what you want to

I am not wasting my time

really
I have enough time to spend
with you
and enough time to save for someone else
just give her the script

I miss you
I miss you too
but it's not as if we can do anything about it
we had the chance
and you never took it

you know where to find me
show up
and for once be yourself
what does that mean
ditch the script
give me the chance you were about to give me
put away the pixie sticks
and tell me who you really are

I want to know who the girl is in the yellow skirt
I want to know where all my time is going
has gone
there is no spell
that is now going to make the difference

what
is there
between us
but another wall
knock on the door
and open the window
so I can crawl in
LEAVE WHILE YOU CAN
she
will never love you
he will never love you
does it make a difference
if he says
that he does
just shut up
and DO IT
LEAVE WHILE YOU CAN
the world is watching

what are you going to do
what
are you going to
do
I don't know what it is
you look like a mess
have you been crying
or do you even cry anymore
I don't know how to say this
without getting a little overboard
but your television is a little loud
for me to sleep
I LIKED YOU

what makes you feel so good
I am listening in
I can hear your heart beating
I know what you are
thinking
in no way do I think
that I have
THE ANSWER
I am only trying to answer
your inquiry
I am alone in a room
I am writing
I am writing to you
I am waiting for you to say something witty
this is all important
I need you to help me get going

it's not as if I know something
that no one else knows
I can thread a needle for you
I am picking up speed
can you seem me coming
coming at you
coming for you
it's very simple
all that I have to do
is pretend that you're not there
and you just disappear
I have so many other
needles
and a spool full of thread

it's not as if you can sew my heart back together
I'm not the one who need heart surgery
I'm not the one who needs heart sugary
you've eaten too many sweets
let the sweets eat at you
and now the sweet hangover has come and gone
I have got over you
you made it easy
you stopped acting lovingly
I'm not a dog
I can't pick up things in my mouth
I'm not playing games here
I am not going to move a muscle
are you in pain
let me wait until the ambulance comes
are you insane
let me wait
I am lying still
I am not doing a thing
not a thing
will you wait
and watch with me
take my temperature
be temperate for me
I am like a dog
when I want it
I need it
got to have it
just barking
I didn't make my dinner
I just eat my dinner
be mine
let's go out for dinner
where do we start being ourselves
I brought you a machine to repair hearts
my heart is OK
beating on its own
skipping a beat
for some new beat
here's my money
why so blue
there's more where that came from
all these types
printing money in their basement
who are you

what do you have to go on
you have given them way more
in return for nothing
what are you getting in the deal
and what have you already given away
you don't say
once this is over
I will tell the girl in the yellow skirt the whole story
the red story
and she will be overjoyed to hear it
imagine herself as the receiver
of the love letters
a letter cannot make love
does she know the consequences of taking love like that
of the quids
that rub against the quos
this is a long long process
a long long life
you have all the answers
it's not as if your life is perfect
you just need
some perfect answers
why don't you try just being nice
for a change
I tried that
someone just took advantage of my
niceness
and I tried to get mean
and I looked like a monster
a love monster
something like that
I live on love
and die on love
you're going to need some quick thinking to get out of this
someone might think that you have a heart
this is not about forgiveness
this is about honesty
can you be like that
will honesty rhyme
repeating each line
means changing each line
to suit the time
suit the times
a time suit
I would love a time suit

to change in time
or just to change the time
that is how it works
you can have the same suit
through different times
or different suits
to change with the time
it is timing down
time to put on your time suit
that is how easy it is to FORGET
and to be forgotten
I am not like that
nothing means anything
except something
I didn't think you cared
thank you
I didn't think that I could care

IF I REALLY THOUGHT LIKE YOU, I'D BE DEAD

I feel dead
I act dead
I am treated dead
but I am alive
I have things
I want more things
is there anything wrong with that?
If I really thought like you,
I'd be dead.
Put me
in the box
where you found me
like I thought
a good place to get lost
I have seen people take you away
and you just went away
it makes my blood boil
is that what
one sounds like
looks like
what can I ask
what will I ask
what can you ask of yourself
what can you not ask of yourself
you are asking too many questions
IF I REALLY THOUGHT LIKE YOU

I'D BE

DEAD

come along with me
save your pennies
spend your pennies
If I thought like you
I couldn't do a thing
I'd sit there staring at space
quit trying to twist my arm
it's all going to come out the same way in the end
that is how we make stories happen
send me the results
and I can get them put into action
I can make things happen

I'D BE DEAD

to love

but I'm not

everyone loves

and there are more to come

in the silence of the soul

what time is it

the dark of night

a night without a dawn

no such thing

all your exaggerations that you call poetry

one exaggeration

or two

may be the one to hit home

am I

hitting home

somewhere in the world

it will always be April

I wish that I had just run off

let you be

with what you be with

one exaggeration or two

just give me one

I can do well with one

it is April

April in my mind

what it is in my mind

it is everywhere for me

I have a courser

that can fly in the air

I am ready to take flight

any last words
this is my last word
did it have to come to this
saddle up my horse
I am ready to fly
STAR
is that his name
what is his name
I am ready to go
but he will not come when I call him
STAR, WE ARE READY TO GO
I have only one heart
and I have given it away too many times
and now
it will not come back
my horse is saddled up and ready
any last words
I love you
great
next
I love you
any last words
I am searching for my own last words
words for a greeting card
even the best
hit a moment
when words
fail them
I don't know what to say
what I could say
to make it all better
for me
for all of us
here goes
give me money
give me a life
give me your life
I gave you my life
what little money I had
my time
I'll be right back
I am working on a deal
there will be a time when I look you in the face and say
I don't know
I just feel sorry for you

you will never get your heart back
you don't even know what you have lost
I need to do my hair again
a new dye job
and I don't dye
reborn to live again
it was that easy
like Adam and Eve
Even and Stevens
Stevens and Adam
what goes around comes around
the story of a dog
I feel like a dog
locked in this place
you are going to get no answers
keep asking until there are no more questions to answer
about the heart
about eating
about time
about flowers
about April
then you are ready to really begin
maybe if moved left instead of right
up instead of down
all these answers can't be right
correct
I didn't answer that question
things that I forgot to do
did she smile at you
I have no idea where she went
she drifted off in the ether
it is time for both of you to jump up and greet the world
I am greeting the world
come back in two minutes
I will
I'll call you right back
I will
and then you don't
you don't
I stopped trying to keep track
and they all think that
they do
you keep them in the illusion
and sometimes that lasts for a year
or two

I am coming back
to you alone
take this and that
you hurt me
in a way
I am watching
seeing it all
all that you no longer
need to see
I no longer need to see it
a lovely no stick surface
that is how you get away clean
I can only think about five things at once
one
two
three
four
five
you were not one of those
I want to be your valentine
will do anything to be your valentine
can I
will I
I need to be
your valentine
I don't like you that way
that way
but not long enough that way
I gave you words
and you gave them back
who is this meant for
is that what you are afraid
you shouldn't have
you really shouldn't have
and you did anyway
why are you trying to tell me how to run my life
I just want to be your valentine
your
number one
two
buckle your shoe
my shoes don't have buckles
my love is buckling from under me
I need to be in the right position
I need it all to be right

please
let me in for once

can you stand up
for the valentine
HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY
do you mean it
take the chocolates
take the flowers

I remember the
bigger bouquet
I am always behind the times
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