

## JANUARY

I lost my mind in the middle of the night, singing  
    "January, save me from the cold"  
You were looking so fine in the warmth of wine  
    And I realized I couldn't let you go  
    Wouldn't let you go

Well you said goodnight but I caught your eye  
    And I stared you down, begging  
    "Baby read my mind"  
With one foot in and the other one out  
    and a furrowed brow  
    You seemed to hear me sigh

Don't worry what the folks will say  
    They don't know us anyway  
Come back inside, shut the sliding door  
    I know we made some grave mistakes  
    But we don't owe them all our days  
    Come on, let's make some more

You turned around and crossed the floor  
    and I held you close  
    I didn't have the words  
    But every breath in and out was saying  
"I missed you so" and I knew my heart was heard

(chorus)

If I haven't made it clear, my friend  
I am yours again If you will just agree  
And I hope this song goes on and on  
and never ends, oh say you'll stay with me

(chorus)

## DIFFERENT

Same war, different crime  
Same punch, different line  
Knocking down the walls of pride  
    It's different this time

Same heart, different beat  
Same cold, different feet  
Don't call it quits, don't look for signs  
    It's different this time

First try at a second chance  
Same song, different dance  
I've been around, I've heard the lies  
    It's different this time

    This time 'round,  
When the rain is really pouring down  
You decide to look for higher ground  
    I'll be at your side  
    I'll be different this time

Same two spirits free  
Take my hand and walk with me  
I'm still yours and you're still mine

But it's different this time

## COLORADO

What if we moved to Colorado?  
I hear the hiking's good  
Live in a little Lincoln log cabin  
Stock up on firewood

Can't escape, can't outrun the blue  
That's what people say that you and I can't do, but  
What if we moved to Colorado, me and you

What if we ventured to Amalfi  
Out on the hilly coast  
I'd kiss you where the air is salty  
Among the lemon groves

(chorus)

What if we ventured to Amalfi, me and you

I don't know when it changed, my dear, and  
I don't care who or what's to blame for getting us here  
I only know there's nowhere I wouldn't go  
If it would help us to not throw away  
All these years, so

What if we learned to speak Icelandic  
Found ourselves in Peru  
Tracked down our relatives 'cross Europe  
Let our love renew

(chorus)

## FOLLOW ME MOON

I used to think the moon was following me  
And I smiled from my backseat  
As it darted behind trees then reappeared  
I'd shuffle up the drive at the end of the ride  
And it carried me inside  
The moon and I, we played that game for years

But innocence came to an end  
How I miss my long-lost friend  
Trying to get back to where I've been

Follow me moon  
Swallow me sky  
Make me feel small, give me reason to ride  
Just like you did when I was a kid  
Follow me moon

Staring at the boards of mahogany red  
On the bunkbed overheard  
Where my little sister slept  
I could not rest  
I'd just found out that forever's a lie  
And that one day I would die  
And that everyone I loved would reach an end

I still lie awake sometimes  
Drinking in the lonely night  
And whisper through the window to my friend

(chorus)

Why worry, worry 'bout what's up ahead  
And why hurry, hurry on over the edge  
I'm alive and I'm flying with my arms outstretched

(chorus)

## NOT JUST YOU AND ME

There is a wealth of weary wanderers  
In this town and in this universe  
They're all crying out just to be heard  
It's not just you and me

In the bars and in the libraries  
In their cars and in their diaries  
Out on the street, out of society  
It's not just you and me

Out on the tops of mountains beautiful  
In the smallest of the cubicles  
Weeping at the births and at the funerals  
It's not just you and me

In the deserts, in the prison cells  
In the letters, in the wishing wells  
In the bliss and in the living hells  
It's not just you and me

Behind the stoplights and the microphones  
On the front lines, on the telephones  
On the fences and on their own  
It's not just you and me

There is a wealth of weary wanderers  
In this town and in this universe  
What does it matter if we're never heard?  
It's not just you and me

## REAL THING

You got the carrot and the stick  
I'm just a stumbling mule  
Give me a bite and I just might  
Wind up as your fool  
I'd be lying if I said I wasn't in the sky  
I'm not too afraid to say this  
No use being shy

I know a good thing when I see it  
I know a right thing by the way it makes me reel  
I know the real thing when I hold it  
I know the way you make me feel

Take a dash of sabotage  
Add just a pinch of pain  
Sprinkle in a little loss  
And season it to taste  
And you got the recipe for being predisposed  
Not me, I'm breaking free from letting good things go

(chorus)

Ooo, when the water is murky, I'll wade on through  
Love, you're a light and I've been waiting on you

You can call me crazy, call me careless with my heart  
Throw in some "I told you so's" if it all falls apart  
But I've got this little hunch and my hunches rarely lie  
So come on, babe, what do you say to giving us a try

(chorus)

## PORCELAIN DOLL

One porcelain doll  
Grew dust atop glass at the old antique mall  
Some people looked, but nobody saw that  
She really longed to be wild

Frail, fragile, and old  
Not like the sturdier bodies that sold  
She'd grown accustomed to being alone when  
One day a smile caught her eye

And there he sat two shelves away in all his wooden glory  
His painted eyes just had a way of telling a love story

There she was content  
Not minding the folks as they came and they went  
She was alive, she knew she was meant for  
Loving her sweet soldier boy

The military air he had been carrying all the while  
Was softened by her warm, inviting smile

One blizzard day  
Hands brought her down from the shelf where she lay  
Packed her in paper and took her away from  
What made her happiest now

She wished she could cry  
She at least wanted a proper goodbye  
But she was unwrapped when they brought her inside and  
Couldn't believe what she'd found

For there he sat across the way in all his wooden glory  
His painted eyes still had a way of telling a love story

There she was content  
Not minding the days as they came and they went  
She was alive, she knew she was meant for  
Loving her sweet soldier boy

## STARLINGS

Shape-shifting as the ice wind blows  
The starlings flock above the snow  
And I'm wondering just how they know  
In which direction they should go  
Do they ever get cold?

Yellow diamonds warn me  
That the bridge will ice before the road  
This is just the kind of drive that writes a song  
By the time I've made it home

Arkansas is flat and long  
The sunrise it goes on and on and on  
And the color of this dawning day's  
The same as your pink T-shirt  
I'm still wearing from yesterday

Maybe I forgot  
Or wanted just a piece of you to hold

(chorus)

The Memphis pyramid reflects the sky  
It's a melancholy grey and so am I  
But if I have to be missing somebody  
I'm glad it can be you

Counting every power line  
I'm thinking 'bout the town I left behind  
Where water towers proudly say its name  
And where the children simply play  
By giving it a climb

I'd love to turn around  
And spend the day with you, collecting stones

(chorus)

Shape-shifting and we're on the go  
Starlings in our flock above the snow

## WHERE TO BEGIN

Always loved the sound of a crashing wave  
Against a calm and steady shore  
That was what we had with each other, babe  
We don't have that anymore

If I picked up the phone tonight and caved right in  
I wouldn't know where to begin

Saw your picture on the world wide web  
Your smile was just the same  
I guess that caught me by surprise  
Given everything that's changed

If I knocked on your door now and you let me in  
I wouldn't know where to begin

Maybe all those things we thought could not resolve  
Would prove themselves to have dissolved

Or maybe we'd say let's not go where we have been  
We wouldn't know where to begin

I know this is just a passing phase  
It'll all be over soon  
Feelings always take each other's place  
Out with old and in with new

So if I get to sleep tonight and dreams creep in  
They wouldn't know where to begin

## GUNSHY

Are you gun shy  
Are you brave  
In the hard times, will you stay?

I know how to doubt  
And I know how to blame  
In the hard times, will you stay?

Are you watchful  
Do you see  
Are you patient with me?

I know how to insult an injury  
Are you patient with me?

I am tired and  
I'm hard-wired  
To favor disbelief  
Are you gun shy  
Will you leave?

Are you softened  
Are you tough  
If I threaten, please call my bluff  
I don't wanna lose you by giving up

Are you gun shy  
Are you gun shy  
Are you gun shy?

## I LIKE YOU A REAL LOT

I like you a real lot  
Like turtles like sittin' on logs  
High schoolers and parking lots  
Like robbers like running from cops

I like you a real bunch  
Kindergartners and Hawaiian punch  
Like Godzilla likes people for lunch  
Well, maybe not that much

I don't need big words or fancy conversation  
I just want you next to me  
It's better when we're together  
It ain't rocket surgery

I wanna be with ya  
Be in all of your pictures  
Let the boys see me kiss ya  
And knock 'em out if they diss ya

I wanna go places with you  
Drive-in movies and to the zoo  
East Asia and Kalamazoo  
Waffle House and IHOP, too

(chorus)  
It ain't controversy

Whoa, it's not always simple  
To let somebody know just how you feel  
But oh, if I had a nickel  
For every time you make me smile  
My riches would be real

We go together like a key and lock  
Rice Krispies, snap, crackle, and pop  
I like you a real lot and I ain't gonna stop







