## A drop in the ocean

The one big thing at the heart of the wood
Where the giant lives and he's up to no good
Make sure he doesn't get a whiff of your blood
Or your goose is cooked for sure
Fee Fi Fo Fum
Something wicked this way comes
Smelling the blood of an Englishman
Though your heart is light and pure

All the treasures of this world

The gold and silver and priceless pearls

All just a drop in the ocean

Compared to your love

You can have three wishes the spirit said
To settle accounts to clear your head
But careful what you wish for or you're better off dead
Or so the story goes
You might wish to live forever
Or the truest love in all the world
A coat of gold and shoes of silver
To wear the emperor's new clothes

### Chorus

All the boys and all the girls
All the tears of emotion
Keep us singing together
Poetry in Motion
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The giant with the shining axe

Genie in the bottle and magic lamp

The golden goose the big bad wolf

You'll find them all outside

Fee Fi Fo Fum

Something wicked this way comes

Smelling the blood of an Englishman

Though your heart is light and pure

### Chorus

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# Back in the day

Ran into him the other day
A shadow of his former self
Used to be faster than a speeding bullet
Whose slipstream could damage your health
Could jump tall buildings in a single bound
Stronger than a locomotive train

A man of steel with feet of clay Not the man I knew yesterday His hairs gone gray and his belly's fat But back in the day, back in the day

Fly round the earth in 40 minutes flat Was nothing to him in his prime Now he gets arrested for loitering In the slow lane marking time His eyes are dim and cannot see Not the x-ray vision it used to be

### Chorus

Who would believe a man could fly?
You had to see it with your own two eyes
Was it a bird or was it a plane
Will we ever see his like again?
Fighting for truth and the American way
Till that green stuff sucked his strength away

### Chorus

Goodbye Goodbye
The last best hope goodbye
Goodbye Goodbye
Who'd believe a man could fly?

Time to turn the other cheek
Time to walk away
Time to wear another suit
Tomorrow is another day
Sure he did the best that he could
Too much evil too little good

### Instrumental chorus

## Gyle Park

We're going to the park Swings and chutes oh what a lark Swinging high in the sky Your screams ringing out so high

We will walk from Grannies house Meet the dogs and babies too Running through the leaves and grass Waving at every bus we pass

Summer days used to seem so long Now they pass and are so quickly gone But I'll remember them in this song Even when my memory is gone

You throw your head back on the swing I think I'll need to have a gin Running on the bridge of the climbing frame My heart beats faster than the train

You're never alone We've got your hand We'll never let go We'll keep you safe and warm

We're going to the park Swings and chutes oh what a lark When you shout "wee" we smile You laughing all the while

Oh we're going to the park Oh we're going to the park Oh we're going to the park Oh we're going to the park

# Human, right from the start

Don't you ever let me down My faith is in you If I have to believe in anyone It's got to be in you

You've got to have faith in those you love Trust them with every beat of your heart and if they let you down You've proved they were human right from the start

You say you'll catch me At the bottom of the waterfall But will you keep me safe In all of lifes turmoils

### Chorus

You're so tall and strong
Know everything under the sun
I need to believe that you'll always be there
Watching over your little one

### Chorus

Oh my little one You've not much choice you see Mum and dad are who they are You see you get them for free

### Chorus

We all get older And tears will be shed But you'll always be a special memory In the twilight of my years

# Chance would be a fine thing

Remember when the world was young and all the songs were still to be sung When all the roads were free to roam and every road led home We met in the gardens the sun kissed your lips so red We knew that our time was short but our love was strong We knew that our time was short but our love was strong

Chance would be a fine thing
If chance was where it's at
Grass is always greener
I'll testify to that

Chances are we'll meet some time when the world is old and grey We'll say it's good to meet again well what else could we say? We'll raise a glass across the years to what looked like better days Stumble round in one last dance then go our separate ways Stumble round in one last dance then go our separate ways

### Chorus

The station clock shows midnight another day begins
And soon we will be travelling across this land again
The wolves are howling in the dark we're not afraid of anything
We'll teach the tides to ebb and flow we'll teach the winds to sing
We'll teach the tides to ebb and flow we'll teach the winds to sing

# One last thing, Papa

You put me together from odd bits and pieces From robbers and drunkards and rapists and whores Stitched up the tissues connected the bones Wired up the brain and opened the door

Fire up the engine, papa
Set your boy free
To roam through the world
Oh, they'll hear about me
Circuits are sparking with electricity
Fire up the engine, papa set your boy free

Hearing can be hard, father and sight's even worse No light in the darkness to lift Adam's curse Taste I can live without but touch is real bad But you never miss what you've never had

### Chorus

So I'll walk through this wilderness and I'll head for true North I don't feel the winter winds don't remember my birth But I know you were there, Daddy I know you made me There's just one thing I ask of you to set my soul free

#### Chorus

Look into my eyes, Daddy what do you see?
You made this monster now do one last thing for me.
I need another soul here for love and company
Fire up the engine again and set your boy free

Beauty isn't skin deep It's in your minds eye We're in this together Our love will never die

So put her together from odd bits and pieces From robbers and drunkards and rapists and whores Stitch up the tissues connect up the bones Wire up the brain throw open the door

# Peace at last

Sitting here, drinking in the sun Knowing your safe, and our job is done Fills me, with a warm glow I replay our day and smile at our fun

Chasing you around and biting your toes
Drains my body and these old bones
Laughing at the things you said today
I say peace at last, peace at last

A double Bacardi and a takeaway
I know I'll sleep tonight, there's no other way
But I smile, at your antics today
And I know, I'll look forward to your next stay

### Chorus

An overnight stay, is oh so much fun Except that you rise, with the morning sun But your smile, at the break of the day Chases all my blues, all my blues away

### Chorus

But I wouldn't be without your love Almost makes you believe in a god above Oh but still, oh but still, two days in a row is enough

# More than skin deep

Your beauty is more than skin deep
It lies deep inside
Your goodness keeps you looking so fresh
No portrait in the attic to hide

I'm lucky to share your life
Enveloped in your love
I want to stay with you forever
Always side by side

You never say anything offensive Keep it all locked deep inside You give an enigmatic smile No outrage will they find

### Chorus

I've never heard you say no
Just we'll wait and see
You're warm and friendly
To everyone and their family

### Chorus

But I know there is an end to everything But the memories I have of you they will never end

Walking hand in hand
The sun setting behind
We smile to each other, cause
We've found a love that's hard to find

# The Last Wolf in Europe

Drums are beating along the Rhine
The fires are being lit
Torchlight rallies, secret signs
The wolf is howling in europe tonight

The telephone rings in the night No one speaks but someone's there The painters have been round again To spray their warnings on the stair

But we're here, and we'll stay, My children have to grow, have to grow grow

### Chorus

My neighbour turns his back on me Acts as if I wasn't there Children shout abuse at me Others point me out and stare

But we're here, and we'll stay, My children have to grow, have to grow are to grow to grow

### Chorus

History repeating
A scapegoat must be found
And they say the wheel will turn again
Can you hear that breaking glass sound

But we're here, and we'll stay, My children have to grow, have to grow have to grow

# Stronger than our DNA

I been waiting, waiting by the airport doors
I wait everyday, but you don't show
Still expecting you to come home
To your father's loving arms

You went travelling, travelling cross the ocean wide
To see a women, to make her your bride
Said you'd see me in a fortnight
Once you'd seen the other side

There's a bond between a father and his son It can't be untied by anyone It's with you forever and a day Ties stronger than our DNA

I warned you, not to trust Americans They're not like you, no moral compass They shot you in cold blood Left you in a garbage can

### Chorus

I've a pain, deep in my heart
It wasn't there, from the very start
A father shouldn't bury his son
And be left sitting in the dark

Bloods thicker than water We can't separate Ties that bind, love from birth We can never hate

### **Benitictus**

I celebrate Easter every year
I know that's not what you wanted to hear
The passion of Christ for me
keep my ears shut to your heresy

Listen to me turn your mind outward and think yourself free

Together we say the liturgy
A requiem mass and confession from me
I'm setting my soul free
Listen to his voice and you will see

Hear the voices from outside Learn all there is to know and set yourself free

The blood and body of Christ
I close my eyes to all of your vice
Repenting my sins
Keeps me safe from the voices within

Open your ears to me I'm keeping you safe Keeping you in control

Your under our supervision Under our authority We'll not let you be free Not give you sexual liberty

The sanctuary of my ignorance keeps me safe against the modern world It's abstenace for me My body is rebelling getting away from me

Use your mind to set you free keep your mind open and your choices free

Benedictus qui venit in nomine domini

# **Baby boomers**

Come all ye coffin dodgers
Stand up now and be brave
Cod liver oil and orange juice
From the cradle to the grave
Your people lived in black and white
In mills and yards and mines
And sweated hard to make a world
Where you'd live better lives.

We are the baby boomers We roam across the skies We are the baby boomers We swallowed all the lies

For our fine education
We never paid a bean
The smartest generation
The world has ever seen
But now we've pulled the ladder up
The cats have got the cream
We'll leave the world to trample on
Our children and their dreams

### Chorus

We mapped the deepest oceans
And walked up on the moon
We sailed the sea of tranquillity
And sang the best of tunes
We're leaving you the world wide web
And climate change and fear
The world is yours get used to it
We're about to disappear

### Chorus

So fare ye well then
Ye lads and lasses all
Tomorrow is another day
It's your turn on the ball
The darkness is approaching
You work out what it means
But what's over that horizon
Ain't worth a hill of beans

### Chorus x 2

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