

## **Bruce Springsteen "Growin' Up"**

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I stood stonelike at midnight suspended in my  
masquerade  
I combed my hair till it was just right and commanded  
the night brigade  
I was open to pain and crossed by the rain and I walked  
on a crooked crutch  
I strolled all alone through a fallout zone and came out  
with my soul untouched I hid in the clouded wrath of the  
crowd but when they  
said "Sit down" I stood up Ooh-ooh growin' up  
The flag of piracy flew from my mast my sails were set  
wing to wing  
I had a jukebox graduate for first mate she couldn't  
sail but she sure could sing  
I pushed B-52 and bombed 'em with the blues with my  
gear  
set stubborn on standing  
I broke all the rules strafed my old high school never  
  
once gave thought to landing  
I hid in the clouded wrath of the crowd but when they  
said "Come down" I threw up Ooh-ooh growin' up  
I took month-long vacations in the stratosphere and  
you know it's really hard to hold your breath  
I swear I lost everything I ever loved or feared I was the  
cosmic kid  
Well my feet they finally took root in the earth but  
I got me a nice little place in the stars  
I swear I found the key to the universe in the engine of  
an old parked car  
I hid in the clouded wrath of the crowd but when they  
said "Sit down" I stood up Ooh-ooh growin' up Ooh-ooh  
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