

## **Gino Vannelli**

### **"Shame"**

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The city's burning with desire  
High-heeled chicks turnin' tricks in a trance  
Pin-stripe zombies on fire  
Sayin' hey baby, here's a dime for a dance  
(out on the street)  
I see innocent faces in the rain  
(out on the street)  
I see make-up runnin' down from tears of pain  
Down the drain

Shame  
Now mama tell it like it is  
It's a shame  
For what papa did  
It's a shame  
Your sister should've told you so  
It's a shame  
'cause nobody wants to know

The neon moon turns red around midnight  
Junior junkies and runaway girls  
Blue eyed babies posing in the headlights  
Another stray cat in a dog eat dog world  
(out on the street)  
Ain't no room for no cheap talkin' prayer  
(out on the street)  
You don't know what it's like 'till you're there  
And you're runnin' scared

Shame  
Now mama tell it like it is  
It's a shame  
The way papa hurt his kid  
It's a shame  
Your sister should've told you so

It's a shame  
C'mon man let her go

So young  
Yet so old  
So hard to find a friend

She lives from lover to lover  
'till there's nothing left of her  
Yeah sweet daddy scores again

Shame  
Now mama tell it like it is  
It's a shame  
The way papa hurt his kid  
It's a shame  
Your sister should've told you so  
It's a shame  
C'mon man let her go

The world should've let you know  
C'mon man let her go  
Shame on the school  
Shame on the teacher  
Shame on those sticky little fingers all over that  
helpless creature  
Shame on the parish  
Shame on the preacher  
From where he stands that man don't have half a  
chance to reach her  
Shame shame shame  
On me and you  
Shame shame shame  
Now what are we goin' to do

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