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Bright Eyes "Going For The Gold"

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There's a voice on the phone Telling what had happened Some kind of confusion More like a disaster

And it wondered how You were left unaffected But you had no knowledge No, the chemicals covered you

So a jury was formed As more liquor was poured No need for conviction They're not thirsting for justice

But I slept with the lies I keep inside my head I found out I was guilty I found out I was guilty

But I won't be around For the sentencing 'Cause I'm leaving On the next airplane

And I know that my actions Are impossible to justify They seem adequate To fill up my time

But if I could talk to myself Like I was someone else Well then maybe I could take your advice, advice And I wouldn't act like such an asshole all the time

There's a film on the wall Makes the people look small Who are sitting beside it All consumed in the drama

They must return to their lives Once the hero has died They will drive to the office Stopping somewhere for coffee

Where the folk singers, poets And playwrights convene Dispensing their wisdom Oh, dear, amateur orators

They will detail their pain In some standard refrain They will recite their sadness Like it's some kind of contest

Well, if it is I think I am winning it All beaming with confidence As I make my final lap

The gold medal gleams So hang it around my neck 'Cause I am deserving it The champion of idiots

But a kid carries his Walkman On that long bus ride to Omaha I know a girl who cries When she practices violin

'Cause each note sounds so pure It just cuts into her And then the melody Comes pouring out her eyes, eyes

Now to me, everything else It just sounds like a lie

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