

## Harry Chapin "We Grew Up A Little Bit"

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We got married early  
And just a little bit late  
Baby came too early  
But some things just can't wait  
We were just beginning  
But it was very clear  
We grew up a little bit that year

I caught on as a meter man  
You were caught at home  
When I started night school  
You ended up alone  
But you had another baby  
While I had my career  
And we grew up a little bit  
We grew up a little bit  
We grew up a little bit that year

They put me in a office job  
A young man on the move  
We bought a house in Shaker Heights  
You supervised the move  
We were cashing checks, you were changing children  
While I played engineer  
And we were growing ever faster  
Every year

I got bored of kilowatts  
You were tired of kids  
I started staying out at night  
And soon that's what you did  
At parties we'd go seperately  
You'd wiggle and I'd leer  
And we were growing faster  
We were growing ever faster  
We were growing ever faster every year

You learned to live in silence  
I learned to live in lies  
And we both igored the empty spaces  
Growing in our eyes  
Your breath became a gin and tonic

Mine became a beer  
And we grew up a little more last year

Today at work they passed me by  
And promoted John instead  
I came home to find you'd wrecked the car  
I guess I lost my head  
Well, I can't believe I hit you  
But the rage came on so strong  
Ah, where did we go wrong?

As you sit there crying  
I wonder who you are  
The partner-stranger-friend and foe  
Who's come with me this far  
We stand here in the ashes  
And I guess it is quite clear  
We did not really grow too much  
Each year

So you say we're going nowhere  
Well I know that's where we've been  
Still I can't help wondering  
Can we begin again?  
I feel so full of questions  
Curiosity and fear  
But could we grow a little bit  
Could we grow a little bit  
Can we grow a little bit this year?

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