

Lady Sovereign "Those Were The Days"

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We used to play jump the line
Or who could wrap the swing around the frame the
most times
Back in the day, riding our bikes around the estate
And playin' basketball in the cage, those were the days

I remember them water fights, the tap outside
Just to race to it on our bikes
Grinnin' with two front teeth missin', we did what we
like
Those days are missin', those days were alright

Knock down ginger, knock knock then shift
Two minutes later we got locked in the lift
Laughin' when we got out, got into silly arguments
About who found the pound on the ground

Bopped to the shops bought about ten ice pops
The weather was hot so they melted in our pockets
Used to carry my belongings in them McDonald's bum
bags
That was back then so boy don't mock it

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Yeah, yeah
Yo those were the days I could never regret

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We used to race down the hill in old safe way trolleys
I wasn't indoors playing with Barbie's or dollies
I was outside jumpin' off walls or playin' football
Or getting chased by the local pit bull

The odd character that every borough had
Mad Phillip, Ginger beard or Mad Max
The places you wouldn't wanna see when you're on
your jacks

In the places you wouldn't be in if you stuck to your
packs
Stayed out till it was pitch black
Sprayed my name on concrete slabs
And I never got b**** slapped
Seen a couple of mans get stabbed
Been chased by the mad man, gotta get back

So I can catch joke with my next door neighbor
We played the first Mortal Kombat on the Sega
Back then playing the latest jungle tunes we had on
cassette
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Remember naf naf jackets and spliffy jeans
Adidas campus, them things were in
It wasn't about the king of the bling
It was the king of the rim or the king of the swing

Back then, well, I kind has less
But less was much better 'cause it saved a lot of stress
I hung out in Coffers community center
They've knocked it down and replaced it with an Asda

My parents way of tellin' us to get our backs in
Was them sounding some old f***ing klaxon
A soldier marched back up to Radcliffe Walk
Chalk hill Estate don't exist no more, it's just talk

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