

## **Pete Townshend**

# **"I Don't Even Know Myself"**

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There's nothing in the way I walk  
That can tell you where I'm going  
There's nothing in the way I speak  
That can betray anything I'm knowing  
Don't think that by the way I dress  
You can fit me on a labeled shelf  
Don't pretend that you know me  
Cause I don't even know myself

I don't mind if you try once in a while  
I don't mind if I cry once in a while  
The doors aren't shut as tight as they might seem  
I'm just trying to fight my way out of this dream

Don't listen to the words I say  
Weighing up if I'm enlightened  
Don't shiver as you pass me by  
Cos Mister I'm the one who's frightened  
The police just came and left  
They wanted me and no one else  
Don't pretend that you know me  
'Cause I don't even know myself  
Wish I did

I don't mind if you try once in a while  
I don't mind if I cry once in a while  
The doors aren't shut as tight as they might seem  
I'm just trying to fight my way out of this dream

Do you remember me? I don't remember you  
Do you still love me? You know I think you do  
I have been gone,  
And some prison warder knows my scream  
I just gotta fight my way out of this dream

There's only five who know my real name  
And my mother don't believe they know it  
What she calls me is the way I'm staying  
And no nigger's gonna ever throw it

Come on all of you big boys  
Come on all of you elves

Don't pretend that you know me  
Cause I don't even know myself  
I don't know myself

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I don't mind if I cry once in a while

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