

The Format

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(originally by XTC)

1,000 umbrellas upturned
Couldn't catch all the rain that drained out of my head
When you said we were over, over.
I cried 'til I floated downstream to a town they call
Misery, ah-huh Misery
Misery, ah-huh Misery.

And one million teacups I'll bet
Couldn't hold all the wet that fell out of my eyes
When you fell out with me.
Now I'm crawling the wallpaper
That's looking more like a roadmap to
Misery, ah-huh Misery.

How can you smile and forecast
Weather's getting better and you'll soon forget her
If you let the sunshine come through.
How can you smile and forecast weather's getting
better
If you never let a girl rain all over you.

Just when I thought that my lister was golden in hue
1,000 umbrellas opened to spoil the view.
And one million salt seas recalled from school atlas
Alas, could be filled to the brim, Sonny Jim couldn't
jump in
How can I be pleased when I'm handed the keys
To a town call Misery, ah-huh Misery,
Misery, ah-huh Misery

So with a mop and a bucket
I'll just say forget her and carry on
Sweeping up where I've been weeping.
The chest is not creeping to strike down
The newly crowned monarch of misery, ah-huh misery.

How can you smile and forecast
Weather's getting better and you'll soon forget her
If you let the sunshine come through.

How can you smile and forecast weather's getting
better
If you never let a girl rain all over you.

And just when I thought that my skies where a June-July
blue
1,000 umbrellas opened, 2,000 umbrellas opened,
10,000 umbrellas opened to spoil the view.

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