

Nick Cave & The Bad Seed

"The Witness Song"

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Oh yeah, yeah
Yes well, well, well
I took a walk down to the port
Where strangers meet and do consort

All blinkered with desire
And a winter fog moved thickly on
A winter fog moved thickly on
A winter fog moved thickly on

Now, who will be the witness
Who will be the witness
Who will be the witness
When the fog's too thick to see

And I saw a friend beside a wall
Her hands were raised in supplication
And her face I could not see at all
And I raised my hands in rage

And I brought them down again
And we entered through the eastern door
I entered through the eastern door
She entered through the eastern door

And now, who will be the witness
Who will be the witness
Who will be the witness
When you're all too blind to see

And time gets somewhat muddled here
But no matter, no matter
Here come the events all tumbling down

Now, beyond the wall was a great garden
Into which we passed 'cause of me and my friend
The place was all overgrown with weeds
And behold from its centre there rose a great fountain

A fountain with the healin' waters
Yes, a fountain with the healin' waters
And we knelt down by the rim

And I dipped my hand in and she dipped her hand in
too

And I said, "Are you healed?"
And she said, "Well are you healed?"
And I said, "Yes, I'm healed"
And she said, "Oh, yes I'm healed then too"

And I said, "Babe, you are a liar"
"Babe, you are a liar"
"Babe, you are a liar"
"Babe, you are a liar"
"Babe, you are a liar, too"
Now, who will be the witness
Who will be the witness
Who will be the witness
When you're all too healed to see

And I kissed her once, I kissed her twice
And made my way to leave her
And she raised her hand up to her face
And brought it down again

I said, "That gesture, it will haunt me"
That gesture, it will haunt me
And I left there by the eastern door
She left there by the western door

Now, who will be the witness
Who will be the witness there
When you're blind and you can't see
Who will be the witness, baby

Who will be the witness there
When you're all so clean and you cannot see
Who will be the witness
Who will be the witness

Who will be the witness
Who will be the witness
Who will be the witness, baby
Who will be the witness there

Oh, when your friends are everywhere
Who will be the witness
Who will be the witness there
And your enemies have ceased to care

Who will be the witness
Who will be the witness
Who will be the witness

Who will be the witness

Who will be the witness, baby
Who will be the witness there, yeah
Who will be the witness
Who will be the witness

Who will be the witness
Who will be the witness
Who will be the witness, yeah
Who will be the witness, yeah
Who will be the witness

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