

The Jam "Pretty Green"

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PRETTY GREEN (Paul Weller)

I've got a pocket full of pretty green -

I'm gonna put it in the fruit machine -

I'm gonna put it in the juke box -

It's gonna play all the records in the hit parade -

This is the pretty green - this is society -

You can't do nothing - unless it's in the pocket - oh no -

I've got a pocket full of pretty green -

I'm gonna give it to the man behind the counter -

He's gonna give me food and water -

I'm gonna eat that and look for more -

And they didn't teach me that in school -

It's something that I learnt on my own -

That power is measured by the pound or the fist -

It's as clear as this oh -

I've got a pocket full of Pretty Green!

MONDAY (Paul Weller)

Rainclouds came and stole my thunder -

Left me barren like a desert

But a sunshine girl like you

It's worth going through -

I will never be embarrassed about love again.

Tortured winds that blew me over -

When I start to think that I'm something special

They tell me that I'm not -

And they're right and I'm glad and I'm not -

I will never be embarrassed about that again.

Oh baby I'm dreaming of Monday,

Oh baby will I see you again,

Oh baby I'm dreaming of Monday.

MAN IN THE CORNER SHOP (Paul Weller)

Puts up the closed sign does the man in the corner shop

Serves his last and says goodbye to him

He knows it is a hard life

But it's nice to be your own boss really

Walks off home does the last customer

He is jealous of the man in the corner shop

He is sick of working at the factory

Says it must be nice to be your own boss (really)

Sells cigars to the boss from the factory

He is jealous is the man in the corner shop

He is sick of struggling so hard

He says - it must be nice to own a factory

Go to church do the people from the area

All shapes and classes sit and pray together

For here they are all one

For God created all men equal.

SET THE HOUSE ABLAZE (Paul Weller)

I was in the Pub last night

When a mutual friend of ours said

He'd seen you in the uniform.

Yeah the leather belt looks manly

The black boots butch

But oh what a bastard to get off.

Promises, promises

They offer real solutions

But hatred has never won for long.

And something you said set the house ablaze

You was so open minded

But by someone blinded

And now your sign says closed.

Promises, promises

They offer real solutions

But hatred has never won for long.

I think we've lost our perception -

I think we've lost sight of the goals we should be

working for

I think we've lost our reason

We stumble blindly and that vision must be restored!

I wish that there was something

I could do about it

I wish that there was some way

I could try to fight it

Scream and shout it -

It is called indoctrination

And it happens on all levels

But it has nothing to do with equality

It has nothing to do with democracy

And though it professes to

It has nothing to do with humanity

It is cold hard and mechanical

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