

## Ray Stevens

### "Mistyr's"

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Itemize the things you covet  
As you squander through your life  
Bigger cars, bigger houses  
Term insurance for your wife  
Tuesday evenings with your harlot  
And on Wednesdays it's your charlatan  
analyst, he's high upon your list

You've got air conditioned sinuses  
And dark disturbing doubts about religion  
And you keep those cards and letters going out  
While your secretary's tempting you  
Your morals are exempting you from guilt and shame  
Heaven knows you're not to blame

(CHORUS:)

You better, Take care of business Mr. Businessman  
What's your plan?  
Get down to business Mr. Businessman if you can  
(Before it's too late and you throw your life away) 1st  
time

Did you see your children growing up today  
And did you hear the music of their laughter  
As they set about to play  
Did you catch the fragrance of those roses in your  
garden  
Did the morning sunlight warm your soul,  
Brighten up your day  
Do you qualify to be alive  
or is the limit of your senses so as only to survive  
Hey yeah.....

Spending counterfeit incentive  
Wasting precious time and health  
Placing value on the worthless  
Disregarding priceless wealth  
You can wheel and deal the best of them  
And steal it from the rest of them  
You know the score, their ethics are a bore

Eighty-six anesthetic crutches prop you to the top  
Where the smiles are all synthetic  
And the ulcers never stop  
When they take that final inventory,  
Yours will be the same sad story everywhere  
No one will really care, no one more lonely than  
This rich important man, let's have your autograph  
Endorse your epitaph

(CHORUS)

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